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City makes final street decisions

Council narrows its choices to 1 permanent, 4 asphalt overlays of maintenance project

by Nicole Fuller
Assignment Director

After careful consideration and discussion, Maryville City Council members made the final choice in the 1998 permanent and asphalt overlay street projects Monday.

They narrowed the final decision of the permanent street project to East Thompson Street. It will consist of nine blocks from South Vine Street to South Laura Street. They are hoping to be able to finish at least six blocks completely, and the other three will be finished depending on the cost.

"This will give us an opportunity to do a lot of blocks in a straight line which should mean we should get a lot of bang for our buck," mayor Bridget Brown said. "This is a street in grave need of repair and has been for a long time. And it is one of our biggest challenges in storm drainage."

The Council budgeted \$350,000 for the 1998 permanent street project. The East Thompson project is expected to cost around \$447,000.

For the asphalt overlay project they decided on East Jenkins Street, from South Vine Street to South Laura Street; the Sunset addition, Walnut Street, from West 12th to Lincoln streets; and Prather Avenue, from West 12th Street to North College Drive.

When the Council planned the budget, they included \$40,000 for storm water maintenance work.

Members decided since they have to do storm water maintenance on the new permanent street project, they would, if necessary, use some of the money toward that project; city manager David Angerer said.

"It is OK to take some (money), but not all," Angerer said. "We need to mix some of it with permanent street project (money) since we do some storm water on the permanent already."

The Council believes they could use about \$25,000 out of the \$40,000 budgeted. They will not know how much they will have to use until the bid comes back. Then Council members will determine how much they will need, Angerer said.

"After the meeting Monday night, first thing Tuesday morning, they called up the engineer," Angerer said. "The engineer can probably have it designed in four to six weeks."

After the designs are made, they will then put it up to bid for contractors. The Council is expecting this in early to mid-winter.

Brown said choosing which streets need improvement the most is not an easy thing.

"I think that there is not a person on City Council that would not like to see us do every street right now and therefore it makes it difficult to make these kind of decisions," Brown said. "I am very pleased that we will look at that project, and I am hopeful that by having engineering completed on the entire length of Thompson (Street) we can be much more accurate in how we can complete that project."

Celebration of Quality



University President Dean Hubbard (above) accepts the Missouri Quality Award from Gov. Mel Carnahan at the awards banquet Wednesday night in Jefferson City, Northwest Celebration (right) performs at the awards banquet to support the University.

Chris Gallitz/
Contributing Photographer



Awards banquet honors University's journey of excellence

by Jamie Hatz
Editor in Chief

It was a typical awards ceremony until they announced Northwest as the winner of the 1997 Missouri Quality Award for education — then Bearcat spirit filled the banquet room.

Noise makers, Bearcat cheerleaders along with Bobby Bearcat, Northwest Celebration and almost 300 students, administrators, faculty and staff uniquely accepted the award that ended our journey to quality.

"It is a marvelous feeling and enormous sense of pride," University President Dean Hubbard said. "I realize, and everyone else realizes, that this is not an individual award. You don't win this award unless everybody at the institution pulls together."

Northwest's greatest milestone was presented at the Missouri Quality Awards Presentation Banquet Wednesday night in Jefferson City.

The turnout made the event memorable for the University and the students.

"I never want to do something like this without students, because they make the difference out of a deal like this," Hubbard said. "They are the reason we do this."

The award, presented by Gov. Mel Carnahan, recognizes Missouri organizations that achieve excellence.

"I think all of the procedures, guidelines and suggestions involved in the quality movement has a wonderful affect on businesses and government," Carnahan said. "There is a great need for this type of award in the academic field and this is the second University to be recognized."

Quality is familiar to Carnahan and the University.

"There is just a huge amount of activity that goes on on campus in order to get this award," Carnahan said. "I think there will be benefits at Northwest Missouri State University for years to come from the effort that has already been put out, and there will be additional benefits from the new application."

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Quality is a vision Hubbard established at Northwest.

"To have a quality institution everybody in the organization has to get up every morning and say what can I do to improve my part in this organization today?" Hubbard said. "That is what continuous quality is all about."

Continuous quality helps Northwest become recognized throughout the state.

"I think that it shows that at Northwest we truly do care about what we are doing and how we go about doing it," said Danny Marsh, president of the Board of Regents. "It is great to have the recognition, but the real winner is not Northwest. I think the real winner is the state of Missouri and the people who chose to come to our school."

The Award process offers a thorough and objective educational opportunity to learn and apply quality.

"The Missouri state award process is one of the premier award processes in the country," said John Jasinski, mass communications department chairman. "I am not biased either. I'd say it is in the top two or three, which means that it holds its organizations up to levels that are very high. It is why top organizations achieve excellence."

Excellence for this award does not happen overnight. Northwest has strived for this award for a long time.

"I saw Dr. Foster, our former president, and I thanked him because we need roots to win awards like this," Jasinski said. "We didn't start five or 10 years ago; people have been here for a long time. They didn't call it quality but they cared about the institution. They cared about the students. It is not about one person — it's about everyone."

Carnahan believes Northwest and the Missouri Quality Award are truly trendsetters.

"Other states are trying to pick up on this, but we are right at the head of the pack," Carnahan said. "We are one of the first to recognize our institution."

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Colden Hall will be finished by December

Building renovations bring new highlights to benefit student, faculty

by Burton Taylor
Missourian Staff

Renovations to Colden Hall are coming to a close with a completion date set for December.

The building will now be equipped with new features to benefit the students and faculty.

Randy Sharp, project manager of CPMI construction company, is in charge of all renovations in Colden Hall.

The renovations were originally supposed to cost about \$6.6 million, but will end up costing approximately \$7.2 million.

"From my understanding, the funds were collected from taxes paid on gambling and lottery proceeds," said Sharp.

The extra \$600,000 came from a grant given to Northwest from the Service Master Custodial Contractors. The other \$150,000 came from the campus budget, but according to Sharp the costs will have no effect on student tuition.

The project started in February of 1996, and in almost two years it has been gutted and equipped with many new highlights.

The first floor of Colden Hall will have computer-intensive classrooms including labs and lecture rooms. It will also have two distance learning rooms where students will be able to join other classes from around the country.

The second floor will consist of 82 faculty offices which will be filled with instructors from all over campus who had been moved from Colden Hall when the building was closed.

The instructors removed from Colden Hall currently have offices in other buildings such as Perrin and Colbert halls. They are scheduled to move back into Colden Hall after the semester break, even though some professors are not looking forward to the move.

"It is really an ordeal to move back. The offices in Perrin Hall are a lot nicer and have more space," English professor Mike Jewett said. "Besides, I enjoy walking around campus to get to my classes."

On the third floor of Colden Hall are 15 new classrooms, one lecture room with a capacity of 120 students and three conference rooms.

"We basically took the building and gutted it, tearing out everything from the ceilings to the concrete floors and then built it back," Sharp said.

One great feature according to Sharp is the old building used to have

only one handicap entrance, and will now be equipped with four, along with a new monumental central staircase to make getting to class a bit quicker.

Aside from having new walls, carpet and paint, CPMI also put in a new heating and cooling system.

The building now has fresh electrical wiring, all asbestos has been removed and an up-to-date sprinkler and fire alarm system was installed.

"We have been on a tight schedule and have had our share of problems," Sharp said. "But working on campus has been great."

Sharp said all of the work has been fairly quiet and done without really interfering with the students too much.

"Colden is like a little island," Sharp said. "You put some fencing around it, and we are totally isolated without getting in the way."

Some guests and alumni during Homecoming thought the building would be completed, Ray Courter, vice president of finance, is more than ready for the completion of the building as well.

"Everything should be up and running for the spring semester," Courter said.

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■ Randy Sharp,
project manager of CPMI
construction company

Choices that affect the rest of your life

AIDS presentation brings awareness

by Mark Hornickel
Chief Reporter

Students learned the consequences of some choices can change the rest of their lives Tuesday evening.

Joel Goldman and T.J. Sullivan presented "Friendship in the Age of AIDS" in two performances at the Charles Johnson Theater.

The pair wanted to make the audience realize the disease can happen to anyone, but there is also a lot that can be done to fight it.

"I think a lot of college students don't think of this as an issue that affects them," Sullivan said. "It's our generation's Vietnam and we have to fight it."

The presentation began with a video about the AIDS quilt that was recently put on display in Washington, D.C.

Eventually, Sullivan introduced himself and told the story of his early days at college.

He talked of the first day he arrived as a college freshman and how he met Goldman. Sullivan described him as one of the members of the "perky squad," one of the people who try to convince new students to sign up for every organization on the campus.

Goldman was a senior and he had come from a strong family, and he was the president of his fraternity.

The pair became good friends, but something that neither of them expected happened — one became infected with the HIV virus.

Goldman moved to Chicago after college, but he continued to live the same life as he did in college — one that included a mixture of alcohol and promiscuity.

He even took an AIDS test, but it came out negative. Still, it served as a warning.

Goldman later returned to Indiana as the director of chapter services at his fraternity's headquarters. He was promoted twice and he was living a healthy life.

Then, five summers ago, Goldman started feeling sick. He didn't understand; he hadn't been drinking and he had been practicing safe sex. Still, he had the symptoms of HIV and his doctor suggested a blood test.

Although the results had previously been negative, it takes three weeks to six months for the antibodies to develop.

When the results came back, Goldman was diagnosed as HIV-positive.

He and his doctor spent the next 90 minutes discussing how to cope and how to fight the disease.

"My life began to spin out of control," Goldman said.

Then he watched the movie "Wall Street." Goldman said the main character's life was crashing down much like his was, and there was a part in the movie that put it in perspective for him.



Tim Kay/Chief Photographer
Joel Goldman speaks about his experiences with AIDS Tuesday night at the Charles Johnson Theater.

"That to me was, you get put in a bad situation," Goldman said. "You're facing the worst thing you could possibly face in your life and who you are depends on how you deal with it."

Goldman decided he could deal with the virus by teaching others about it.

First of all, he needed to call his family, co-workers, fraternity brothers and friends.

Goldman said he also tried to get

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Our View

OF THE UNIVERSITY

'Cats expect support for last home stand

The Northwest football team needs fans and needs them now.

Even with the pathetic crowd showing Saturday against Central Missouri State University, the team played a great game. But if the crowd support had been there, who knows what the game could have been like.

The Bearcats are rated No. 4 in the nation. Yet by the looks of the crowd, we looked like we weren't even ranked in Division II.

What is going on? We would understand if it was the week after Homecoming, or if we had a terrible team, but neither of those are true.

You, the fans, especially the students, will have a chance to redeem yourselves Saturday when the 'Cats take the home field against bitter rival Truman State University in the Hickory Stick game.

This will be the final regular season game for 11 seniors. Many of them played on the 1994 team which suffered an 0-11 mark.

Wouldn't it be a great touch for the players to go out with a perfect mark season? Well, it can only happen if they get the crowd support they deserve.

Some of the players were thinking on the sidelines last Saturday, "Didn't

we beat Pitt State the week before?" It looked to them as though they had lost the week before and had nothing to play for.

So wear layers of clothing if you think it's too cold or bring your umbrellas if you think it might rain; because true fans show up rain or shine.

The 'Cats have earned the right to expect fans to show up and watch them dismantle opponents. Now, they need students to show their support.

Why not paint your bodies green and white for the contest to show your true school colors?

Defensive coordinator Scott Bostwick said "We need the fans to come out in their green and make some noise."

The 'Cats need bizarre fans. Heck, the Bearcats just need fans. There is no need for the stands to be empty when you have a great product on the field.

The students disgraced the team last week, and this is your chance to make it up to them.

The Bearcats need to start filling the seats. So when the postseason comes a calling, the NCAA may not reward the home field to the 'Cats because Northwest will not make the NCAA enough money.

My Turn

Take advantage of time while you still have it



Nicole Fuller

Most people never think about death until it happens to someone they know or someone close to them.

I didn't realize how it could make a person analyze life. I was scared that someone very dear to me could just leave me at any moment.

The strangest thing happened to me just about two weeks ago.

One night at Wells Hall, two friends and myself were working on homework around midnight. The three of us started talking about people who have died in our family, and how many grandparents we had that were still alive.

When I said I had all four of them still with me, it dawned on me that I had not experienced a death of a grandparent.

I had only gone through the death of my great grandma while I was in elementary school. I was really close to her, so it made it hard to see her pass on. It made me very sad, but I had yet to experience the death of anyone in my immediate family.

I didn't really think anything else of the conversation we had until two weeks later when I got a phone call. It was from my best friend and she told me I needed to call home right away.

This made me nervous, and I asked her why. She just kept telling me to call home. I yelled at her and asked her why. She then proceeded to tell me that my grandpa had died. The only problem was that she forgot to tell me which grandpa.

I broke down in tears. I had a horrible time dialing my phone number at home. My dad answered the phone, and I asked him if there was something he needed to tell me.

He then told me that my Grandpa

Darmond, his father, had died. I took a deep breath. He asked me what was wrong and I told him I didn't know which grandpa it was. When I here grandpa I think of my Grandpa Max, because I usually just call him grandpa and the other one Grandpa Darmond.

The strangest thing about my Grandpa Darmond's death is that I am sad, but not in the mourning sense. I am more sad because I really did not know the man that I called grandpa. He was never around in my life when I was growing up. I think the hardest part of the funeral was knowing that I could never change anything because he was no longer there.

I also realized how hard it will be on me when my Grandpa Max does pass away, because he is very dear to me and I love him.

Another thing that crossed my mind about dying is the fact that I am two hours away from home. If something were to happen to my grandparents or my parents, I wouldn't be able to be there. I would lose the opportunity to say good-bye or see them again before they passed on. It would be the hardest thing to face.

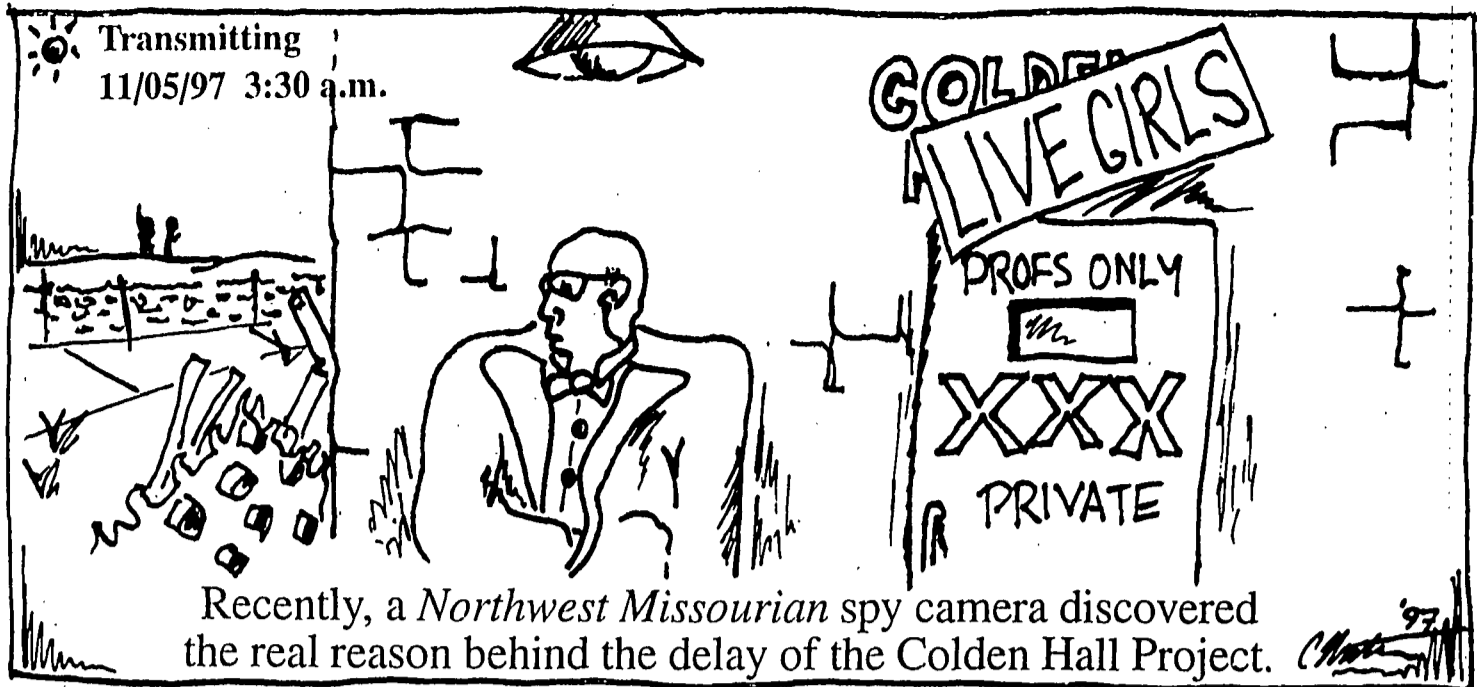
One thing that I do not fear is dying. Everyone is going to die and if it is my time, then it is my time to die. You cannot predict how long of a life one will live.

I did not spend a lot of my life knowing my Grandpa Darmond. I hope I can utilize every chance I have to talk to and visit with my grandparents. I will never know if I will get the chance to see them again, being away at college.

Sometimes in life one must stop and appreciate what they have and not just look to what they don't have.

If I would look to what I don't have I would be no where in life. I look to the love that both my parents and grandparents give me.

Nicole Fuller is the assignment director for the Northwest Missourian.



University View

Why Northwest won the Quality Award



John Jasinski

University, community contribute to historic event

The Missouri Quality Award is a representative of a high performing organization at a variety of levels. Northwest has so many positives, and there are so many reasons we won the Missouri Quality Award.

Here are a few:

- The best students around.
- Environmental Service workers making this the most beautiful campus around.
- Horace Mann teachers giving their all for our children.
- Bobby Bearcat being Bobby Bearcat.

- The Alumni House and its warm, friendly people.
- Admissions folks — they pump out the work.
- Coach Tjeerdsmma and staff molding a team into greatness.
- The Ag farm, Scott and Alex.
- Academic technology.
- Orange construction fences meaning aggressive progress in our infrastructure.

- General education faculty caring deeply about what they do.
- Student Ambassadors.
- Marla in mass communication — always putting forth the extra effort.
- Wanda Auffert and company — always ahead of us on bid purchases.
- Computer Services — so many requests for little time.

- Ray Courter and his unbelievable tenacity on projects.
- The Faculty Senate and Support Staff Council — these people care.
- Our regional partnerships.
- John Nielsen and folks — too many electrical projects.
- University web sites.
- Cross country and tennis excellence.
- Del Morley and company — student financial assistance — ever a quiet time?
- Marolyn Alloway — computer program supreme.
- Green Tower Press.
- Custodians who work behind the scenes to make our workplace healthy and attractive.
- Super majors and minors, academic departments, chairs and deans.
- The Noontime Basketball Association — hey these players have to be mentioned somewhere.
- Registrar's office — somebody has to keep track of student progress.
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■ Ron Heller delivering anything — man, what a workhorse.

■ The staff within payroll, encumbrance, etc. — hey we all need the money.

■ CAPS events.

■ The rec center.

■ Student Services Center — what did we do without it?

■ All of our student organizations — time and effort worthwhile.

■ The town of Maryville — an excellent home base.

■ Our retired faculty and staff — they set the building blocks.

■ An excellent provost — thanks Tim.

■ President Hubbard's constancy of purpose.

■ My wife and kids — support, support, support.

All those not mentioned — you all make Northwest special.

The Missouri Quality Award would not be possible without the perseverance of everyone in the Northwest family. The individuals, offices, activities and buildings listed above are some of those I come in contact with on a regular basis. My salute goes to everyone — thank you for contributing to a truly historic institutional event.

John Jasinski is the mass communication department chair.

My Turn

Need for reassurance comes back around



Jacob DiPietro

Mom continues support, comfort

I will always remember my first day of kindergarten. I was, at that point, an only child and always played with either the children in the neighborhood or my mom. I had no experience with being away from my mother or kids I didn't know — I was a mama's boy.

Well, needless to say the night before my first day of school, I couldn't sleep.

I was worried and intimidated about the next day's events. I remember crawling out of my bed, going into my parent's room and telling my mother I couldn't sleep because I had a bad dream.

It was a complete lie — but she didn't get mad or send me back to bed or give a few words of reassurance that it was just a dream.

Instead, she got up with me. We went downstairs and she explained all the fun I was going to have the next day.

I remember looking in her eyes and feeling completely at peace. She has a knack for reassuring me no matter how uncertain I feel. I calmed down and she spread a comforter on the living room floor and slept next to me.

The next day, I was nervous. So nervous, I didn't let my mom leave for most of the day. But after a while, I looked in her eyes and thought I could let her go.

Fast forward 12 years. My mom and I were traveling U.S. 71 to start my college career.

I was not nervous, and I didn't have trouble sleeping the night

before. I didn't need my mom to stay the day with me like before. In fact, part of me wanted her to leave.

But I realized it was my turn to calm and reassure her. For the first time, I was starting something new and I didn't need my mother to guide me through it. The roles were somewhat changed. I found myself comforting her. I told her I would be fine, it would be fun and I would make new friends.

Even to this day, halfway through my second year of college, I still wonder how my mom is feeling. Her eyes still comfort me, but now I know that I can do the same for her.

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Student gives thanks

Dear Editor,

Sometimes we get caught up in recognizing only the bad parts of our community. I would like everyone to know that there are good people, especially in Maryville.

Last Wednesday, the house I share with two roommates suffered a fire. The house has little damage and ev-

eryone is safe. The support I have received from neighbors and friends has been tremendous.

First, I would like to thank the Red Cross for all of their help. Two girls who live next door, were there to lend me their phone and support. The neighbors across the street were also wonderful.

I had not yet met them, but they were great. Everyone was quick to

offer help. I would like to thank the guys of South Newton Street for allowing me to crash on their couch and for putting up with me.

Also a big thanks to my friend Chad for all of his support. Most of all, I would like to thank the fire fighters. They responded quickly and did a fabulous job of controlling the fire.

Thank you to everyone.

Cat Eldridge

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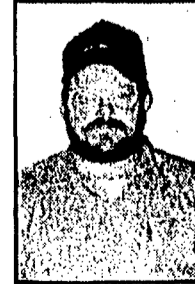
"It gives Maryville a more pleasant appearance and atmosphere."

Derek Berdine, Hy-Vee Sub Shop



"It helps people clean out their garage, so they can put their cars in them for the winter."

Dave Sears, contractor



"It promotes everyone to keep the city clean.. When Maryville is clean it attracts people."

John McClurg, Sprint worker



"If Maryville is clean it helps attract new people and keeps us healthy."

Lisa Hatch, Northwest student



"It helps so people don't have to look at everyone's trash."

Laura Giese, home school student



"It beautifies the town and makes visitors want to come back."

Alicia Tobin, Wal-Mart greeter



photo courtesy of Kurt Haberyan

Kurt Haberyan and University of Tennessee faculty and students studied 27 different lakes throughout Costa Rica. Haberyan spent close to a month during June and July in the country. The research enabled him to bring back real-life examples to the classroom.

Professor conducts research abroad

by Stephanie Zellstra
Assistant News Editor

Most teachers would not be found traipsing through Costa Rica, avoiding poisonous snakes and working for *National Geographic* during their summers, but a Northwest professor did just that.

Kurt Haberyan, professor of biological sciences, spent a month during the summer in Costa Rica traveling the untamed countryside in search of lakes, some of which had never been seen before.

"The lakes are so inaccessible," Haberyan said. "You feel that you are blazing trails. You almost feel like Indiana Jones chopping through the swamp to get to this one particular lake. You wonder why you do it, but it just works out. It's just a matter of dedication and stamina to get the job done. It is very rewarding."

National Geographic funded the three year study that focused on climatic changes and their effects on the environment, especially to animals and the earth. The University of Tennessee also participated in the trip.

Students will benefit from the research trip from real-life examples and

slides. However, the trip has taken a different meaning for Haberyan.

"The trip had a very indirect effect also," he said. "That is the stimulation of thinking, processing data and remembering what it is like to be a scientist again. Personally, it keeps me alive and stimulated in the lectures and it does provide some examples for the classroom."

Haberyan said that most professors keep up with their field by reading the latest information and research in journals and studies that have been done.

He is also happy with the response from the students because many have asked several questions. The research shows the students that there is more to science than just the books.

Some of the examples he will be able to use are on the ecosystems found in the 27 lakes the team studied. The group scanned the countryside using field maps from the 1950s, with some degree of success, and didn't en-

counter many life-threatening occurrences. They found that some of the lakes that were on the maps were no longer there for several different reasons.

"It is so challenging in the field to deal with the different food, the foreign land and culture," Haberyan said. "The roads were also a problem, locating the lakes and getting frustrated and trying to do some real solid science in underdeveloped conditions is challenging."

It was also very challenging for the scientists to conduct concrete research and deal with the cultural differences, especially in communication.

"The Costa Ricans were very friendly and helpful," Haberyan said. "In one case, a man showed us a lake that they didn't know existed."

Some of the more difficult and rigorous challenges the group faced was climbing a steep volcano with 30-pound backpacks in the pouring rain. The group also had to worry about 12 types of poisonous snakes.

The research was conducted during Costa Rica's wet season. Haberyan hopes to return during the dry season sometime in January or March if it is possible.

The research that the team collected included samples from the lakes and dirt deposits to test them. The research that will be conducted over the next several years will study the effects of globalization.

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Kurt Haberyan,
University Biology
professor



Biology instructor spends part of summer studying lakes in Costa Rica

Alcohol tops Greek forum

by Stacy Young
Missourian Staff

Improving Greek life was the purpose of the All-Greek open forum and making it a non-alcoholic Greek life was among the topics of discussion last Thursday at the Northwest Conference Center.

The forum was directed by Mark Koepsell, St. Louis University's Greek life director, who gave members of Northwest's Greek organizations a chance to discuss the Select 2000 proposal.

Select 2000 is a program that some national fraternities are signing, saying they will strive for an alcohol-free environment.

"It's more than just a dry environment," said Jube Schley, secretary of Delta Sigma Phi fraternity. "2000 is about building the entire Greek system and making everyone a better person."

The dry housing policy that many college campuses have already alluded to was the first topic. Alcohol

would be forbidden at all Greek houses, which could result in chapter elimination from campus if violated.

"It's not so much Northwest demanding dry housing, but it's Greek nationals," said Bryan Vanosdale, director of campus activities. "This is what they are evolving to. It's like the domino effect — they hit one house and the rest will follow."

During his presentation, Koepsell announced that as of Jan. 1, Iowa State University will be a dry campus and housing university. It was a decision made by ISU's Panhellenic and Inter-Fraternity Council.

He also presented statistics revealing that 86 percent of men at fraternity houses are binge drinkers. The recent tragedies of alcohol-related deaths among college students at Massachusetts Institute of Technology and Louisiana State University have been two catalysts for the Greek nationals' changes.

"Alcohol is not an evil thing," Koepsell said. "It's when we don't

respect it (that) it causes problems."

Some Northwest fraternity members did express concern that new member numbers might decline in the future with a dry housing policy.

"Substance-free housing might initially hurt Rush numbers," IFC president Kelly Ferguson said. "It's sad that alcohol seems so important."

To balance the problem, Koepsell encouraged fraternity members to focus more on recruiting the members they want to be a part of their brotherhood.

This is a practice Greeks do at SLU, and although it took some extra work, he said, Rush numbers there haven't suffered.

"Alcohol shouldn't be a focus during Rush," Vanosdale said. "It should be focused on things like brotherhood, academics, morals and philanthropic accomplishments."

Although Select 2000 hasn't officially affected Northwest, it could be on its way. Other colleges across the country are also considering this proposal.

a video showing college students' perspective of mixing alcohol with sex.

"Mixing alcohol with sex is dangerous," Sullivan said. "We're at the age now where we can put positive peer pressure on our friends to develop good behaviors that really save them down the line."

After the video, the duo went into a series, in which they gave out facts on AIDS, the four stages of drinking and how to prevent the AIDS virus.

Sullivan said 80 percent of the people infected with the AIDS virus are heterosexuals and 48 percent are women.

"It's not just a gay thing," Sullivan said. "It's an everybody thing."

The two began traveling in 1993. In the past four years, the pair have seen more than 350,000 students on almost 400 campuses.

Julie Norlen, vice president of pro-

gramming in Panhellenic Council, said an estimated 700 students and community members attended the event.

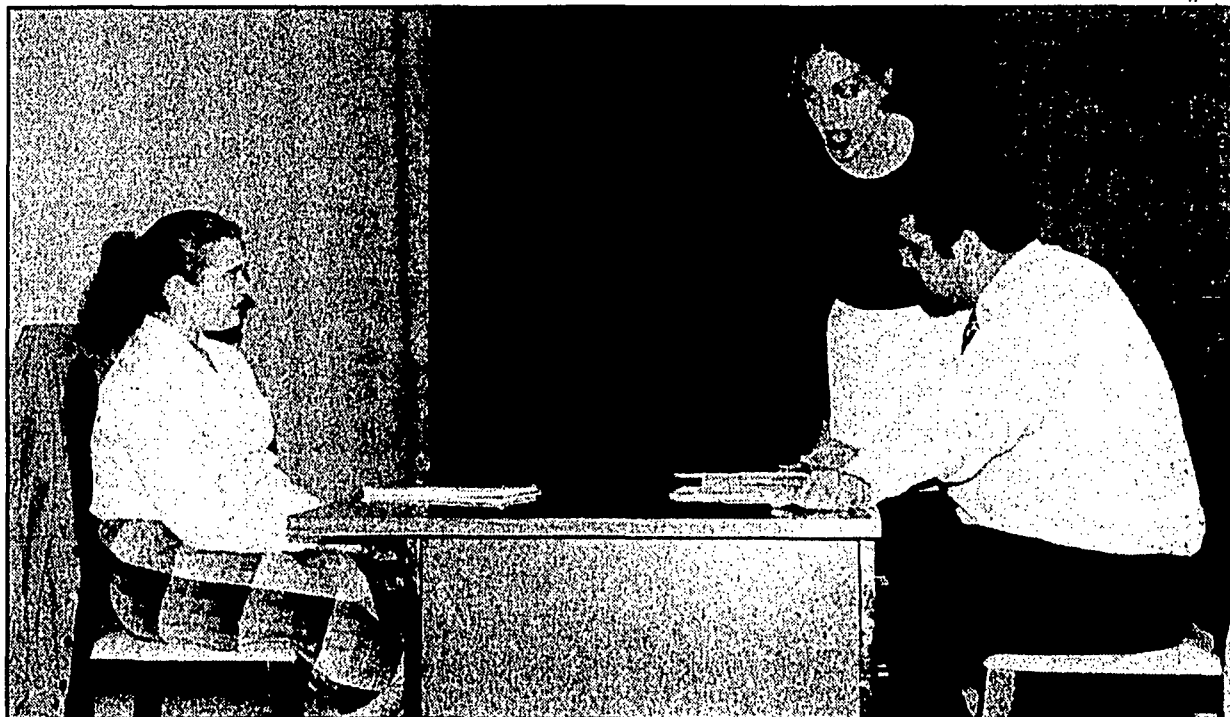
The program was based on Goldman's experiences as a fraternity member at Indiana University with drinking and sex. The program displayed the risks he took using comedy.

Goldman made a point that the AIDS virus is not like any other disease.

"It's not like heart disease," Goldman said. "It's something I got because of the choices I made."

Students can be tested for AIDS year-round at the Student Health Center for \$5.

The online version of the *Missourian* features audio bytes of Goldman and Sullivan and can be accessed at <http://www.nwmissouri.edu/missourian/>.



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Stacy Sanchelli, Mary-Tina Vrehas and Jon Hickerson produced play that will be performed tonight and do a final run-through of "The Lesson," a student-Friday in conjunction with the play "Olianna."

Seniors direct theater Lab Series

One-act shows offer students experience on both sides of stage

by Mark Hornickel
Chief Reporter

The hard work and dedication of two senior theater students will help determine the success of a two-play Lab Series performance at 7:30 p.m. Thursday and Friday in the Charles Johnson Theater.

The student directors will present two different one-act plays, "The Lesson," directed by Jerry Nevins, government/theater/philosophy major, and "Olianna," directed by theater major Jennifer Farris.

"The Lesson" concerns the interaction between students and faculty, concerning the use of language.

"It's a power struggle on who controls the language," Nevins said. "It is sort of an exaggeration of a normal

In Brief

Theater production opens next week

The comedy play "Arsenic and Old Lace" opens at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 13, and runs through Sunday, Nov. 16, at the Mary Linn Performing Arts Center. The Sunday performance will be at 2 p.m. The play is directed by Charles Schultz.

Tickets are \$4 for students and faculty, \$5 for non-University students and \$6 for adults. They are available at the Student Services Center.

University conducts property auction

The University will be having a surplus property sale at 9 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 11, at the Northwest Support Service Building warehouse.

Items included in the sale are chairs, computer and office equipment, fluorescent light fixtures and bulbs, staging steps, platform risers, acoustical wall partitions, wooden shutters, carpet, bus seats, partial wrestling mats and vehicles.

There will be inspection times from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 10, and from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 11.

Chemistry teacher joins department

Before the fall semester, Rafiqul Islam joined the chemistry department as a new assistant professor. He teaches biochemistry and organic chemistry courses.

Islam researched in biochemistry and organic chemistry at St. Louis University for two years before joining Northwest's faculty.

He is originally from Bangladesh. Islam obtained a doctorate in biochemistry in 1991 at Kyushu University in Japan.

Conference shares financial solutions

Northwest, in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Education, will present a live, interactive teleconference from 7 to 7:45 p.m. on Nov. 10 called Financial Aid Night.

Northwest parents and students will have the opportunity to ask U.S. Secretary of Education Richard Riley questions concerning financial aid for college.

Financial aid experts will take phone calls during the program and answer questions sent by fax. There is no charge to attend the event and it is sponsored by the Northwest office of Financial Aid.

Planning Ahead

Thursday, Nov. 6

■ CLEP, GED and MAT tests, 8 a.m., Wells Hall

■ Lab Series, 7:30 p.m., Charles Johnson Theater

Friday, Nov. 7

■ CLEP, GED and MAT tests, 8 a.m., Wells Hall

■ Lab Series, 7:30 p.m., CJT

Saturday, Nov. 8

■ Bearcat football vs. Truman State, 1 p.m., Rickenbrode Stadium

■ PRAXIS testing, 7:30 a.m., Garrett-Strong

■ Women's Cross Country, Great Lakes Regional meet, Kenosha, Wis.

■ Men's Cross Country, Great Lakes Regional meet, Kenosha, Wis.

Monday, Nov. 10

■ Women's Basketball, Nebraska Sports All-Stars, 7:30 p.m., Bearcat Arena

■ Delta Zeta executive board, 7 p.m., Chapter Room

Tuesday, Nov. 11

■ Veteran's Day

■ Brahms Piano Student Recital

■ Sigma Kappa informal meeting, 5 p.m.

■ Delta Zeta meeting, 4:30 p.m., Valk 117

Wednesday, Nov. 12

■ Delta Zeta new member meeting, 4:30 p.m., Garrett-Strong 219

Basketball season begins next week

As the fall sports season is drawing to a close, basketball season is coming into focus.

The women's team will play an exhibition against the Nebraska Sports All-Stars at 7:30 p.m. Nov. 10 in Bearcat Arena. The women's first regular season games will be Nov. 14-15 at the William Jewell Tournament in Liberty.

The men's squad will take on the Benedictine College men to open their season Nov. 14 at Bearcat Arena. See next week's *Missourian* for a preview of the winter sports season.

Friendship

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in touch with anyone he had a sexual relationship with.

He succeeded in reaching seven people, one of whom had two children. Each of them were tested immediately and all the tests came back negative.

Sullivan received the phone call from his friend on a Friday afternoon, just as he was preparing to leave work — he was speechless.

"I just froze," Sullivan said. "I didn't say anything, and I just had to get the hell off the phone."

Sullivan told his friend he would call him that weekend, and he hung up the phone in his office just before breaking down. Sullivan never called Goldman that weekend.

The presentation continued with

Missourian receives top honor

Media association awards college paper as top 1 percent in nation

by JP Faris
Chief Reporter

The Northwest Missourian won the most prestigious award for college newspapers at the College Media Association Convention Nov. 1 in Chicago.

For the first time, the Missourian received a Pacemaker, an award given to the collegiate publications in the top 1 percent by the Associate Collegiate Press and the Newspaper Association of America Foundation.

Tom Rolnicki, executive director of the ACP, said it was "the college equivalent of a Pulitzer Prize."

In the past, the Missourian has been a finalist but has never won. Lonelle Rathje, editor in chief of the Pacemaker award-winning publication, said the type of people who worked on this newspaper were dif-

ferent from past staffs.

"I think it is a positive reflection of the talent we have in the mass communication department," she said. "The kind of journalist you see now is a new breed of journalist. They care deeply about what they're covering and getting it right."

Rathje believed the real turning point was when the Missourian began covering the community.

"We gained credibility through our coverage," she said. "When we went citywide in 1995, we really had a lot of people in the community rooting for us."

Reporting community news along with the campus was integral to the development of the publication.

"I think that covering the community makes it a strong paper," said Laura Widmer, student publications adviser. "We had solid coverage and good writing (on last year's paper). The photography was also very strong, especially in sports."

The Missourian competed against

nondaily college papers in the nation.

Four of the 10 Pacemaker winners are from Missouri: Missouri Southern State College, St. Louis University and Truman State University all received the honor with Northwest.

"The state of Missouri has always had solid programs," Widmer said. "Southern and St. Louis have always been strong, and Truman is up and coming."

Other Missouri schools, like the University of Missouri-Columbia, known nationwide as a top-ranked journalism school, were not selected.

The 1996 Tower yearbook Contemporary Traditions was awarded a Gold Crown by the Columbia Scholastic Press Association, as one of the top four yearbooks in the nation.

Tower was also nominated for a Pacemaker at the CMA convention but was not chosen. The 1997 yearbook Stages will be judged in January for a Gold Crown Award.

"Different judges took different things into consideration," Widmer

said. "You never know what judges are looking for."

In the past, Tower has won six Pacemakers and has been a finalist 10 times.

Widmer said she thought Contemporary Traditions, the first public university yearbook in the country to have a CD-ROM yearbook included, was better than other Pacemakers.

"I thought the 1996 Tower was one of the two strongest books that we've ever done, the 1989 being the other," Widmer said. "I was very disappointed that we didn't win."

The other student publication, Heartland View, was not a Pacemaker finalist, but did receive an All-American award with five marks of distinction, putting them in the top 3 percent of all magazines.

"The fact that the newspaper is in the top 1 percent, the yearbook is in the top 2 percent and Heartland is in the top 3 percent, speaks highly of the hard work and dedication of our students," Widmer said.



Erica Smith, Missourian advertising director, accepts the Pacemaker award from Annie Witta Christman, ACP associate director, Nov. 1 in Chicago. The award was presented in conjunction with the 76th annual National College Media convention. The Pacemaker places the Missourian among the top 10 nondaily collegiate newspapers in the nation.

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Contributing
Photographer



File photo

Soccer tries to join varsity ranks

by Kevin Schultz
Chief Reporter

Soccer has never been a part of the varsity sports program at Northwest, and so far the only soccer played around campus has been in the form of club play.

The possibilities of soccer becoming a women's varsity sport moved in the right direction last Thursday when five officers, elected to represent the soccer team, presented their case to become a varsity team to athletic director Jim Redd.

"The officers of the club team did a great job of presenting their side," Redd said. "I was impressed with their organization; they made some very strong points."

Redd said there is much more than meets the eye when adding another varsity sport.

"Many think that you can just add a sport, but so much has to be considered," Redd said. "Transportation, funding, uniforms, coaches and off-season workout facilities all have to be considered."

A big consideration Redd has to look at is where the funding for a new sport would come from.

He has the option of asking for and trying to raise more money or taking a little bit away from existing sports.

"Funding is something that will play a big role," Redd said. "And the group has looked at different possibilities."

This was the first year for a soccer club at Northwest. The women played against other clubs and varsity teams.

"We had a great season," said Jessica Courtney, president of the soccer club. "We worked very hard

and played well against other clubs and varsity teams."

A great season is one reason why the women want to become a varsity team as soon as possible. They also believe recruitment will be easier after this past season.

For now, the issue has been put on the back burner until after the football season.

"We will hold off on any further decisions until after football," Redd said. "This way we can give the issue the attention that it needs."

Redd also said that at this point it is unlikely that soccer will become a varsity sport next year, even if the proposal is successful.

A transition period is needed for the team, so one more club season is expected by the team. However, the club members are excited about what their future holds.

False alarms cause concern

by Mark Hornickel
Chief Reporter

Phillips Hall has had to deal with 10 false fire alarms since Sept. 4, including a string of seven in eight days.

Most of the alarms have occurred on the third floor and none on the female floors of the hall. Two fire alarms were set off by smoke bombs.

Residential Life is working on ways to prevent false alarms. It is looking into purchasing covers to go over the pull stations to deter false alarms.

Other possibilities of prevention include the use of surveillance cameras and pull stations equipped with a pre-alarm that would sound when someone tampered with the alarm.

"There are advantages and disad-

vantages to each of these options, but something will be put into place in Phillips as soon as possible to reduce the number of false alarms currently being experienced," said Betty Dye, Residential Life coordinator.

Resident hall staff members have varied the rounds they conduct during the evenings, and the Residential Life Security Patrol will make additional rounds during early morning hours.

Dye said high rises may experience an average of three to four false alarms a semester, but the activity at Phillips Hall has set a new precedent.

"This situation in Phillips is highly unusual," Dye said. "We've had hot spots before, but this is over the top."

Residents are becoming increasingly angry, but Dye guarantees the person will be caught.

"We just ask that the students be patient," Dye said. "They need to keep their eyes and ears open and stay in touch with their community just like they would in a house or an apartment."

Anyone caught pulling a false alarm will appear in front of the campus judicial court. Sanctions will then be taken.

In this case, the offense would be classified as a class B misdemeanor. Dye said the Residential Life staff has had a couple leads but nothing concrete.

"Some students seem to think they have an idea," Dye said. "We don't have anything hot enough to apprehend anyone."

Dye said false alarms will definitely become a topic of discussion as South Complex is renovated.

Groups sponsor University talent show

Student organizations showcase abilities during first time presentation

by Nathaniel Hanway
Missourian Staff

Northwest students will have a chance to show off to the community at 7 p.m. Friday at the Baptist Student Union.

The Alliance of Black Collegians and the Baptist Student Union will be sponsoring the student-filled talent show.

The main purpose of the show is to raise funds for ABC and provide a chance for the organizations to work together.

"The two organizations feel that Northwest has a lot of talent," said Yvonne Kweh, fund-raising chairwoman for ABC. "We just want to be able to expose the students' tal-

ents, and in the same sense to raise money for our organization."

This will be a new experience for the both organizations. They have not previously worked together.

"This is going to be the first time that we have tried something like this," Kweh said. "We hope to get more publicity in the community and reach more of the students."

The BSU, however, is not using this event to raise money.

"We do not use fund-raisers," BSU director Darrien King said. "We have been doing coffee houses and ABC approached us with this. We felt that it would be a good opportunity to help out the ABC."

The show will be free to the public, but participants pay an entry fee.

"We are hoping for about 15 skits," Kweh said. "We will also supply the winners and the contestants with prizes."

The prizes range from a boombox from Circuit City, a guest appearance on the show "Maryville Tonight with Chris Stigall" to gift certificates from Movie Magic and Country Kitchen.

ARAMARK will also present each of the contestants with a coupon for a free medium pizza.

"We are asking for solo acts, duets, bands, dramatic readings, dance and poetry," Kweh said. "We will accept any type of entertainment."

Telling stories has become senior Scott Johnson's chance to be seen by the students at the show and prove that blind people can also adapt and overcome.

"I plan on telling a few jokes. I am a storyteller so I'll tell a few stories," Johnson said. "I believe this is a great idea because there are a lot of students with talents."

Kweh said judging for the show is still in the works.

Northwest forensics team comes to life in competition

by Jason Kilndt
Missourian Staff

Mention the word "forensics" and everyone wants to know who died. What they should be asking is, "What did they win this time?"

Forensics is a competition where students present pieces of text orally against other students, a lot like giving a speech, but more involved.

The forensics season lasts from September through mid-April. There are invites in the fall where students give their presentation in front of a panel of judges.

There are individual awards as well as team awards. The goal of these invites is not only to get better, but also to qualify for nationals.

"To qualify you must finish in the top three at three different recognized

tournaments," said Bill Cue, director of forensics. "It is really kind of difficult when there are 60 to 70 other competitors. To be in the top three is a real challenge."

While the team competition is divided into groups according to size, the students compete against the entire field when qualifying for nationals, making it even tougher to qualify.

"Most of the time we are competing with schools who have five times our operating budget," Cue said.

Still, with all that is going against them, Angela McMahon, vice president of the team, and Justin Burton have come close to qualifying for nationals.

Last year Northwest finished fifth at the national tournament in Division II.

In order to compete, the forensics

team recruits incoming freshmen. Those students who show an interest in forensics receive direct-mailing both before and after they choose to attend Northwest.

"The success of one year helps the recruiting for the next year," Cue said. "We had excellent recruiting year this (past) year."

Sixteen of the 22 members are new to the program this year. That makes the leadership of the veterans that much more important.

"Morale is good, they are new and excited," McMahon said.

Forensics is allowed very little scholarship money, so the students do this more for love and the potential benefits after college.

"A lot of people say they have communication skills, but I have proof of it," McMahon said.

Cue, who is now in his second year, acts as both a cheerleader and coach for the students. He puts in long hours for each of the students competing and helps them develop their pieces into winners.

"Bill brings a lot of knowledge and background to the team," said McMahon.

Cue, however, gives credit to everyone from the provost to the dean and mostly the students.

"The final credit is with the students," Cue said. "They give up the weekends and are up in the late hours of the night. It is a huge effort with a huge payoff."

The payoff for Northwest has been tremendous so far. In four tournaments, many students have finished in the top five. In the Truman State tournament the team placed second.

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tutions and I feel this is totally appropriate. I have been committed to quality approach ever since I have been in government."

Missouri Quality Award applicants receive a feedback report providing valuable guidance and information on their organization's activities.

"We can make make fantastic improvements because you take the feedback report and use those items of both strengths and areas of improvement," said Ron DeYoung,

dean of professional and applied studies. "It will be a good base mark to project what you want to do over the next few years to improve."

Improvement is a constant and the University will constantly see quality as a journey, not a destination but the award proves one thing.

"I appreciate the fact that students are a big part of planning at Northwest and we do have some input and control in our education," Student Regent Marisa Sanchez said. "You don't know of any other institutions who do that for students. Quality is catching on more and more in the daily life of students."



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Hunting season opens

by Russ Wetzel
Missourian Staff

Camouflage and hunter orange are coming back into fashion as the hunting season gets underway.

The quail and pheasant hunting season officially opened Nov. 1, and firearm deer season will begin Nov. 15 in Nodaway County.

Ed Higdon, Missouri conservation agent, said the outlook looks promising.

"It will be a similar year to last year as far as the number of birds available," Higdon said. "And there will be no major changes in the rules."

However, there have been some changes made in this year's duck season, which runs from Oct. 23 through Dec. 21.

"The season is 60 days longer," Higdon said. "The daily limit has been raised to six ducks, with some limitations on the species."

Higdon said there are also several major changes for this year's firearm

deer season, which runs until Nov. 25.

In the past, hunters had to apply for a permit to hunt deer in the state.

This year, hunters can simply purchase a permit at any of several area permit distributors.

"We have completely changed the license system this year," Higdon said. "People seem a lot happier with the new system."

Higdon expects the number of deer to meet or exceed the number taken last year and much of it depends on the weather.

"If we have a wet, nasty weekend for the opener, then that will reduce the take," Higdon said. "Over 50 percent of the deer are taken over the first weekend."

Higdon said Missouri's deer population has been on the rise over the past few years.

"We are seeing a slow increase in the deer population in our area," he said. "We use that information to determine how many permits to make available for next year."

The season for archery deer and turkey opened Oct. 1 and runs until Jan. 1.

Higdon said this is a popular season for many hunters as well.

"We are somewhere in the neighborhood of having checked 50 deer in the county already," he said.

Higdon said the early harvest this year will also play a significant role in the season.

"It opens the deer up to visibility to hunters a lot more," he said. "The less crop that is out there, the less places they have to hide."

The cost of purchasing a resident firearm deer permit in Missouri is \$11. The cost of a non-resident permit is \$110.

The cost of a resident small game permit is \$9.

Additional permits and further information on laws and additional requirements can be obtained locally.

Area permit distributors include Wal-Mart, Watkins Hardware, Orscheln's, Hy-Vee, Shop & Hop and Walter Brothers.

Preparing for the hunt

Late fall is prime hunting time in the Midwest. Here are some tips and important dates for hunters to remember.

Getting a license

A resident firearms deer permit in Missouri costs \$11. A non-resident permit costs \$110. A resident small game permit costs \$9. Permit distributors in the area include Wal-Mart, Watkins Hardware, Orscheln's, Hy-Vee, Shop and Hop and Walter Brothers.

Hunters' etiquette

- A hunter's behavior reflects on all hunters and trappers
- Respect the rights of private landowners
- Remember that the issuance of a permit does not authorize trespassing on private lands



Hunting dates

- Oct. 1 - Jan. 15 - Archery deer and turkey season
- Oct. 23 - Dec. 21 - Duck season
- Nov. 1 - Jan. 15 - Pheasant and gray partridge season (north zone)
- Nov. 1 - Jan. 15 - Quail season
- Nov. 15-25 - Modern firearms deer season

Staying safe

- Keep the muzzle of your firearm pointed in a safe direction.
- Treat every firearm as though it were loaded.
- Don't drink while you hunt.
- In Missouri it's illegal to discharge a weapon while intoxicated.
- Store firearms and ammunition separately.
- Never shoot at a flat, hard surface or water.
- Never climb or jump an obstacle with a loaded firearm.
- Be sure of your target before you pull the trigger.
- If you hit a deer with your vehicle, do not approach the wounded animal. A injured deer can still be dangerous.

source: Missouri Department of Conservation
Colleen Cooke/Editorial Assistant

Band marches to recognition

■ Spoofhound group garners awards, progresses through performance season

by Kevin Schultz
Chief Reporter

The marching band is another program at Maryville High School competing at the top.

The Spoofhounds have made this a year of award-winning performances in several events and in several different ways.

The band finished the year placing first at the Loess Hills Marching Festival in Glenwood, Iowa.

The competition in Glenwood turned out to be the best of the year for the 'Hounds, improving on a third-place finish at the Southwest Iowa Band Jamboree and a fifth-place finish at a competition in Carrollton, in early September.

As the year progresses a lot of advancement is expected and has been made," said band director Dennis Dau. "It's a goal of ours to improve as we move along and it's an educational goal as well."

According to Dau, the awards are a direct result of the hard work and many practice hours put in by the band members and the assistant director Bill Dodd.

"Every award has been well deserved," Dau said. "The awards are a great reflection of the quality kids we have in our program."

Although the band competes as a whole at various competitions, certain groups are judged individually. Several awards have been given to the 'Hounds' drumline. The drum majors and twirlers have also received awards.

The drumline led by Brian Jewell and Mary Dean have taken home two first-place overall awards and a second place," Dau said. "They work extremely hard, sometimes putting three- to four-hour rehearsals in a day."

Senior Andrea Ury and junior Natalie Dredge took first overall award and the twirlers took third place in the open-class division.



Maryville High School band drum majors Andrea Ury (left) and Natalie Dredge (right) prepare to lead the band down College Ave. during the Northwest Homecoming parade.

Jennie Nelson/
Staff Photographer

Overall awards are given to participants regardless of school or band size.

For the band as a whole, its competitive season is over, but they have been invited to join Northwest's Bearcat Marching Band to perform Dec. 7 at a Kansas City Chiefs game.

The drumline has two competitions left. They will be performing today in Omaha, Neb. and Nov. 8 at the Missouri Western Drumline Competition in St. Joseph.

This band is continuing a tradition that has been strong for a long time," Dau said. "It's a long tradition that has been made through long hours and dedication."

Local constructor builds unique home in Maryville

■ Styrofoam walls make quiet, storm resistant, energy efficient, clean, tornado proof houses

by Toru Yamauchi
Chief Reporter

Many dream of constructing a nice home and a new type of house has come to Maryville — Styrofoam.

The house is not made entirely of Styrofoam, but the walls are constructed with a combination of concrete and Styrofoam. A Maryville resident is investing money on this new type of construction.

Andy Willard's house has Styrofoam walls.

Willard said he was influenced by Kenneth Wilmes, owner of Wilmes Construction Co., who brought the method to town from an architecture company in Omaha, Neb. in 1995.

Wilmes constructed the Styrofoam wall for his own house last year and completed making the entire house last spring.

"After walking through the hall (of Wilmes' house), I became interested in building that home," Willard said.

Wilmes said the Styrofoam house is 70 percent energy efficient, compared to average houses.

The Styrofoam also protects the house from sound, dust and tornadoes.

"When the tornado comes, it will still take roofs and windows, but the wall will still stand," Wilmes said.

He said when the tornado went through Illinois, only the houses with Styrofoam walls remained standing.

Willard was convinced to build the Styrofoam wall in his home when he actually experienced how quiet Wilmes' house was.

"It's just very quiet inside," Willard said. "When we went to test in Kenneth's house, there was a storm outside, but we couldn't hear it. It was nice and quiet inside."

A quiet home was only part of the reason Willard decided to have the new house built.

He said the energy efficiency, in comparison to a normal home, was another factor. His allergies also influenced his decision.

"Since my wife and I both have allergies in the spring and fall, this home is supposed to be cleaner," Willard said.

Although the styrofoam house costs more, Willard said he will save money in the long run.

"The actual house itself costs a little bit more to build," Willard said. "But in several years, we get paid back from the energy saving."

Willard is looking to complete the house by April of 1998. He and his father are trying to finish up the second house in Maryville with Styrofoam walls.

Teen-agers catch paintball fever

by Sarah Bohl
Missourian Staff

The hunter or the hunted — it is a thin line in the game of paintball.

For the past few months this fad has been popular in Maryville. A group of 10 to 12 high school and college students have met every week to compete against each other in this game of skill and strength.

In paintball, each participant is armed with a gun and a face mask to protect themselves. The guns shoot pellets containing paint that explodes when it hits a target.

A small group started paintballing last summer in Kansas City just to try something new and to have something to do on the weekends. However, as others joined the group, it evolved into something more than that.

Jason Schuster, Maryville High School senior, started paintballing about two months ago.

"A couple of my friends were talking about it and told me I should come out and play sometime," Schuster said. "I tried it and was addicted."

For some, the true addiction is the chase.

Another high school senior, Eric Mickelson, has been paintballing for about four months.

"It was just something exciting to do," Mickelson said. "I don't like hunting animals or anything like that, so I figured I'll just hunt humans."

Although many businesses providing terrain for paintballers have been springing up in big cities, Maryville's abundant space takes care of that problem.

Schuster said the group uses a friend's pasture as its battlefield.

"It's got a lot of grass and trees that makes it challenging," he said.

Paintball can be played in many different ways. Matt Herring, high school senior, said how they play depends on how many people show up.

"If we have eight, we might have four go into the woods and hide while the other four hunt them," he said. "Sometimes we'll play it more like a type of capture the flag."

Everyone in the group has their own equipment, and no one is allowed to play if they don't have a face mask. The gun can be a semiautomatic rifle or whatever the participants choose to use.

Herring said most of the players buy their equipment from special paintball stores in St. Joseph, although they can also get it from Wal-Mart.

However, paintball is not inexpensive. Buying the basic equipment for the game can cost from \$160 to \$200.

Like any sort of gun, paintball guns are not gentle. Normally paintballs fly at 250 feet per second,

Herring said. That means getting hit can sting.

"A lot of guns let you change the settings," Herring said. "You can set some guns so they can break skin."

"Paintballs hurt," Mickelson said. "They don't kill you, but you still feel it for a while. The best thing is getting people back who shot you before."

Even though some pain is involved, paintballers would still encourage people to try the sport.

"It's fun, and you use strategy and leadership skills," Schuster said. "You get to be out with your friends and enjoy the game."

Some play for the exercise. "It's a blast," Mickelson said. "It gives you something to do, and it's a workout."

The group meets every Sunday and other days when they don't have school or other activities.

by Sarah Bohl
Missourian Staff

Two Maryville residents earned top honors at the Missouri Community Betterment Awards ceremony.

Jessica Loch and Jenna Johnson both received the Governor's Leadership Award at the annual banquet in Columbia Oct. 27.

Loch was the recipient of the Governor's Award for Adult Leadership and was sponsored by the Maryville Citizens for Community Action.

"They choose someone for their community service," Loch said. "I have served on lots of committees and have been involved in the community for several years."

Johnson, a senior at Maryville High School, was a winner of the Governor's Award for Youth Leadership.

She was nominated for the award by one of her teachers on the basis of community service. Johnson couldn't believe she had won the award since so many communities were represented.

"I was really excited and surprised," Johnson said. "There were a lot of people there."

The community group decides who to nominate in two different ways, said Jan Colville, president of the MCCA.

The youth nominee is chosen by contacting the high school and talking with the administration and teachers. The adult candidate is selected by members of the MCCA.

Loch and Johnson automatically became the community winners and candidates for the state award.

To compete for the award, the MCCA had to send in a résumé and three recommendations for both nominees to be judged by a Missouri Community Betterment committee.

Almost 80 communities competed for the award by submitting reports detailing improvements they have made to their towns over the past year. Leadership awards are just another section of that award, Loch said.

Maryville also won a Certificate of Merit for their work on the Mzingo project. A representative will present the award to the MCCA at a later date.

The individual awards were presented at a luncheon. Loch and Johnson each received a plaque from Missouri State Treasurer Bob Holden.

The community awards were presented by Gov. Mel Carnahan.

Each community can nominate one candidate in the adult division and one in the youth division. Only 10 awards are given throughout the state every year in each category.

"It's fun, and you use strategy and leadership skills. You get to be out with your friends and enjoy the game."

■ Jason Schuster,
Maryville High School senior

In Brief

Annual soup dinner will benefit church

Hope Lutheran Church, located at 931 S. Main St., will sponsor "Eddy's Famous Chili and Soup Supper" from 5 to 7 p.m. Sunday.

The meal costs \$3.50 for adults and \$2 for children five and under. Money raised at the annual event will go into the church's general fund.

Chamber, NWMSU sponsor lunches

The Northwest Missouri State University Small Business Development Center and the Chamber of Commerce will sponsor a video series during the lunch hour.

They will be from 12:10 to 1 p.m. Nov. 7 and 19 at the Small Business Development Center/Chamber of Commerce conference room located at 423 N. Market St.

The focus for November is "Customer, Inventory and Employee Tracking." For more information contact Deb Shough at 562-1701.

Residents need to recycle more

Northwest Missouri residents will have the opportunity to participate in "Missouri Recycles Day."

The event, as part of the larger, national celebration called "America Recycles Day," will be Nov. 15 throughout the state.

Residents will be asked to sign a pledge card that says they will recycle more waste, buy more recycled products and support a recycling program.

Contact Joel Miller at the Regional Council of Governments and Development Corporation if you or your organization is interested in participating in the event.

Bloodmobile gears up for next week

Business and Professional Women will sponsor a community blood drive from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Nov. 13 in the Fellowship Hall of First United Methodist Church.

For a preferred donation time, please contact Shirley Miller at 582-4031.

This is the fourth bloodmobile of 1997, and those who have given three times this year will be eligible for a Friend-4-Life T-shirt or mug when they donate.

Chamber sells banquet tickets

The Maryville Chamber of Commerce will hold its 37th annual Nodaway County Farm-City Banquet on Monday, Nov. 17.

The event will start at 6:30 p.m. in the University Conference Center. Dr. Joe Jeffrey, a Nebraska veterinarian, rancher and humorist, will be the speaker.

Tickets for the banquet are \$12.50. They are available at the Chamber of Commerce office at 423 N. Market St., or at banks throughout the county.

The deadline for ticket sales is Thursday, Nov. 13. For more information, call the Chamber office at 582-8643.

Public Safety

October 26

■ Fire units responded to the 400 block of West Third Street in reference to a smoke alarm going off. Upon arrival, it was determined the smoke alarm battery had gone bad. No fire or smoke was detected.

October 27

■ A Maryville female reported the theft of a set of golf clubs and a pink golf bag from her garage. Estimated value was \$500.

■ Tanya L. Sullivan, Maryville, was attempting to turn onto West South Avenue and hit a patch of ice and slid into the vehicle of Lana G. McLaughlin who was stopped at a stoplight eastbound on West South Avenue.

■ Ralph Hueste, Maryville, was parked, when his vehicle was struck by another who left the scene.

October 28

■ An officer served a Maryville Municipal Court warrant for failure to appear to Tony E. Boner, 25, Conception Junction. He is being held for bond.

■ While on patrol in the area of 13th and Mulberry streets, an officer observed a vehicle driving over the posted speed limit. The vehicle was stopped and the driver was identified as Shelli L. McNulty, 19, Maryville. An odor of marijuana was detected in the vehicle. McNulty was arrested on charges of possession of drug paraphernalia after rolling papers were found in her possession. She was also issued a citation for driving over the posted speed limit. She was released after posting bond.

■ Officers responded to the 100 block of West Ninth Street on a complaint of a loud party. Upon arrival, contact was made with occupants Kristofferson O. Nystrom, 20, and Leigh C. Peterson, 19. They were advised to shut the party down. A keg of beer was observed in the residence and Nystrom and Peterson were both issued a summons for permitting a peace disturbance and minor in possession.

October 29

■ Fire units responded to a house fire in the 1000 block of North Filmore Street. Upon arrival heavy black smoke was coming from under the eaves. The fire started in kitchen where wax was being melted on the stove, and spread into the ceiling area. The fire was extinguished.

■ An officer arrested Angela M. Larkings, 20, Kansas City, Mo., on charges of larceny, following an incident at a local business in which three compact discs and a box of hair

color were taken without being paid for. She was released after posting bond. Estimated value was \$54.28.

■ A Maryville male reported that he has been receiving harassing phone calls.

October 30

■ After receiving a complaint of a trash violation in the 1300 block of North Main Street an officer issued a summons to Francis Troxell, 74, Edwards, for failure to comply with a notice to abate nuisance.

■ Rachel A. Gerken, Maryville, was making a left hand turn onto South Munn Street from West First Street and started sliding on the wet pavement. Gerken left the roadway and struck a street sign.

■ An officer stopped a vehicle in the 500 block of West Seventh Street for a traffic violation and while running a check on the driver, Lesley M. Dean, 18, Maryville, he discovered her date of birth on the license had been altered. She was issued a summons for possession of an altered driver's license.

■ An officer was on patrol in the 200 block of South Main Street when he observed a vehicle with only one headlight on. The vehicle was stopped, and the driver was identified as James D. Gabbert, 21, Maryville. While talking with Gabbert, the officer detected an odor of intoxicants. He was asked to perform a field sobriety test which he could not complete successfully. He was arrested on charges of driving while intoxicated after his blood alcohol content tested over the legal limit. He was also issued an equipment repair order for his headlight.

■ An officer served a Maryville Municipal Court warrant for failure to appear on Terry A. Tronein, 19, Hopkins. He is being held for bond.

■ An officer took a report from a local business that they had several checks returned because the accounts were closed.

October 31

■ The vehicles of Sarah R. Prehal, Maryville, and Steven C. Thompson, Hopkins, were northbound on Main Street. Thompson was stopped in traffic and was struck in the rear by Prehal. Prehal was issued a citation for careless and imprudent driving.

November 1

■ An officer observed a vehicle make a turn onto West Seventh Street in the oncoming traffic lane and continue in that lane for a short distance. The vehicle was stopped and the driver was identified as Christopher G. Arnold, 22, Maryville. While talking

with the officer, an odor of intoxicants was detected. He was asked to perform a field sobriety test in which he could not complete successfully. He was arrested on charges of driving while intoxicated after his blood alcohol content tested over the legal limit. He was also issued a citation for careless and imprudent driving.

■ An officer served a Maryville Municipal Court warrant for failure to appear on Patrick J. Douglas, 20, Bellevue, Neb. He was released after posting bond.

■ Officers were notified of a vehicle striking mailboxes in the 1100 block of South Main Street and leaving the scene. After receiving the description of the vehicle, an officer found the vehicle in the 700 block of East Fourth Street. Contact was made with the driver, Jason T. Edwards, 26, Cuba, Ill. and while talking with him an odor of intoxicants was detected. He was asked to perform a field sobriety test in which he refused to do and also refused to submit a breath sample for blood alcohol content. He was arrested on charges of driving while intoxicated and also issued a citation for leaving the scene of an accident.

■ An officer took a report of several items being taken from a local business. They included a promotional banner, drinking straw dispenser and a picture. Estimated value was unknown.

■ An officer arrested Michael P. Wilmes, 20, Maryville, on charges of assault following an incident in which a male of Barnard reported he had been assaulted. He is being held for probation and parole.

■ The vehicles of Amy J. Smith, Maryville, and Karen S. Wray, Parnell, were eastbound on South Avenue. Wray was stopped in traffic when her vehicle was struck in the rear by Smith. A citation was issued to Smith for careless and imprudent driving.

November 2

■ A summons for assault was issued to Dustin Ellis, 22, Maryville, following an incident in the 400 block of North Buchanan in which a female reported she had been assaulted by the male subject.

November 3

■ An officer arrested Marlene E. Roupe, 19, Bedford, Iowa, on charges of larceny following an incident at a local business in which seven key chains and two ink pens were taken without being paid for. She was released after posting bond. Estimated value was \$22.71.

■ A Maryville female reported that the building she owned had been

damaged. It appeared there had been a fight, because there was blood on the walls and there was a hole in the sheet rock in the hallway.

■ Linda S. Guess, Maryville, was eastbound on Seventh Street when Rachel M. Diggs, Maryville, pulled from a drive. Guess slid because of icy conditions and struck the curb.

■ Linda S. Hill and Richard L. Mattson, both of Maryville, were southbound on Main Street. Mattson, was stopped in traffic, and Hill was unable to stop because of icy conditions. Hill's vehicle struck Mattson's vehicle in the rear.

■ Jacqueline E. Tegen, Maryville, was stopped at a posted stop sign and then pulled into an intersection and struck the vehicle of Kermit D. Goslee, Maryville, who was eastbound on Third Street. A citation was issued to Tegen for failure to yield.

Campus Safety

October 20

■ Campus Safety investigated a medical emergency in a building on campus. Emergency medical services was notified and transported the individual to St. Francis Hospital.

October 21

■ A faculty member reported property damage to a building on campus. An investigation was initiated.

■ Campus Safety investigated a judicial code violation on campus. An investigation was initiated.

October 22

■ Campus Safety investigated a harassment complaint. An investigation was initiated.

October 23

■ Campus Safety investigated a fire alarm in a building on campus. The alarm was unfounded.

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■ Campus Safety received a report of property damage to a parking lot on campus. An investigation was initiated.

October 24

■ Campus Safety investigated a report of an individual tampering with fire equipment in a building on campus.

■ Campus Safety investigated a harassment complaint. An investigation

was initiated.

■ A student reported property damage by a baseball to their vehicle while it was parked in a parking lot on campus.

October 25

■ Campus Safety investigated smoke bombs being activated in a building on campus. An investigation was initiated.

■ Campus Safety investigated a fire alarm in a building on campus. No smoke or fire was detected.

October 26

■ Campus Safety investigated a medical emergency in a building on campus. Emergency medical services were notified and dispatched to the scene. The individual refused medical attention.

■ Campus Safety investigated a fire alarm in a building on campus. No smoke or fire was detected.

October 27

■ Campus Safety investigated an odor of smoke in a building on campus. It was determined that construction workers had been cutting a pipe in the basement, and a spark caught a cardboard box on fire. It was quickly extinguished. There was no property damage.

■ Campus Safety investigated a vehicle accident in a parking lot on campus.

■ Campus Safety issued a University summons to the vice president of student affairs to an individual for damaging University property, inappropriate and disruptive behavior and falsely identifying self to University officials.

October 28

■ Campus Safety responded to a campus building in reference to an elevator being stuck.

■ A University employee reported a theft from a campus building. An investigation was initiated.

October 29

■ Campus Safety investigated a fire alarm in a building on campus. No smoke or fire was detected.

October 30

■ A University employee reported that some University property was missing from a campus building.

■ A student reported property damage and a theft from their vehicle.

■ A student was summoned to the vice president of student affairs for inappropriate behavior.

October 31

■ Campus Safety investigated a fire alarm in a building on campus. No fire was present.

■ Campus Safety was dispatched to the Conference Center in reference to disruptive behavior. An investigation was initiated.

■ Campus Safety was issued a student summons to the vice president of student affairs and a state summons for possession of drug paraphernalia.

Obituaries

Marlon Alvin Stockton

Marion Stockton, 77, Stanberry, died Oct. 22 at Pineview Manor in Stanberry.

She was born June 6, 1920, to Ray and Elsie Stockton in Stanberry.

Survivors include four daughters, Anita Bridges, Margaret Grace, Nancy Stoll and Mary Poe; four sons, Richard, Dale, Donald and Galen; one brother; one sister; 30 grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren.

Services were Oct. 25 at the First Christian Church in Stanberry.

Gertrude M. Moffat

Gertrude Moffat, 85, Maryville, died Oct. 29 at Heartland Regional Medical Center East in St. Joseph.

She was born Feb. 23, 1912, to Aloysius and Mary Ann Schieber in Conception.

Survivors include three sons; three daughters; 13 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Services were Nov. 1 at St. Gregory's Catholic Church.

John Clayton Donaldson

John Donaldson, 87, Maryville died Nov. 1 at the Maryville Health Center in Maryville.

He was born Jan. 1, 1910, to Levi and Goldie Donaldson in Graham.

Survivors include his wife Ruth; three daughters; nine grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

Services were Nov. 4 at the Price Funeral Home Chapel in Maryville.

Frank O'Connell

Frank O'Connell, 93, Kansas City, Mo., died Nov. 4 at the Summit Nursing Home in Kansas City.

He was born March 16, 1904, to Cornelious and Ann O'Connell in Maryville.

Survivors include one brother; one sister; and cousins in Maryville.

Services are Nov. 7 at St. Gregory's Catholic Church in Maryville.

Correction

In the Oct. 30 issue of the Northwest Missourian Michael Vinson's name was incorrectly spelled in the story Maryville's Most Haunted. The Missourian regrets the error.

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Hooked on books: Author's stories on teen-agers find an eager audience in northwest Missouri

STORY BY COLLEEN COOKE

Although he doesn't like the term "young adult literature," young adult author Chris Crutcher is helping get students in northwest Missouri hooked on books — his books, specifically.

Crutcher has gained popularity in this area over the past two or three years thanks in part to an appearance at the first Young Adult Literature Festival at Northwest in 1995. English professor Virgil Albertini organizes the festival and said he called many high school and middle school teachers to let them know that the author would be coming to Northwest for the first year.

Since that first conference, which about 350 people attended, teachers have introduced their students to Crutcher's works. Attendance at the third Young Adult Literature festival, which took place Oct. 28, was more than 500. And this time, Albertini didn't have to call anybody.

During his sessions, the author talked about some of the stories behind his books, and also showed how some of his own life makes it into his works.

When Crutcher talks about his books, he often uses the phrase "so-called young adult literature" because he has experienced the difficulties that can come with having a label like that placed on him.

"I don't like the term because it's incorrect," he said. "Young adult literature is for 12 and up, yet they're not young adults. And if you get it into young adult literature, then it's excluded from adult literature, so you're kind of operating at a disadvantage in terms of just getting your material out to all the people you want to have read it."

Despite the restrictions that may come for him, Crutcher's works seem to have spoken to the people for whom they are intended — teen-agers. Albertini said Crutcher's popularity is due to the author's style of writing and choice of subject material.

"He addresses issues they're concerned about, and he writes with a style that they can understand," Albertini said. "He's a storyteller — he knows what to do with those words."

Though ostensibly books for high school students, English major Lisa Hartman has introduced the students she tutors in the Writing Center on campus to Crutcher's works. Before Crutcher's appearance at Northwest, Hartman read "Telephone Man," a short story that appears in "Athletic Shorts," to her students. She said the students responded

enthusiastically to the story.

"One student has bought three of his books," she said. "He has a brand-new outlook on reading. He hasn't read anything since fifth grade, but now he's getting into it."

Jenny Lamb, the eighth grade reading teacher at Washington Middle School, took 144 students to see Crutcher at the conference.

"Even when they haven't read his books, they loved listening to him," Lamb said. "I think that takes a talent. He fascinated most of them."

Although the subject matter of his books makes them more suited for high school students, Lamb said her advanced readers really enjoy a book like "Running Loose."

"I just don't have many kids who are into the Baby Sitters' Club or R.L. Stine," she said.

Thanks to the work of English teachers and librarians, Crutcher said his and others' works are being noticed by the right people — the students.

"One of the things that's starting to change now because of classes like Dr. Albertini's is they're (teachers, readers) starting to realize that there's a lot of good stuff being written about people between the ages of 12 and 20."

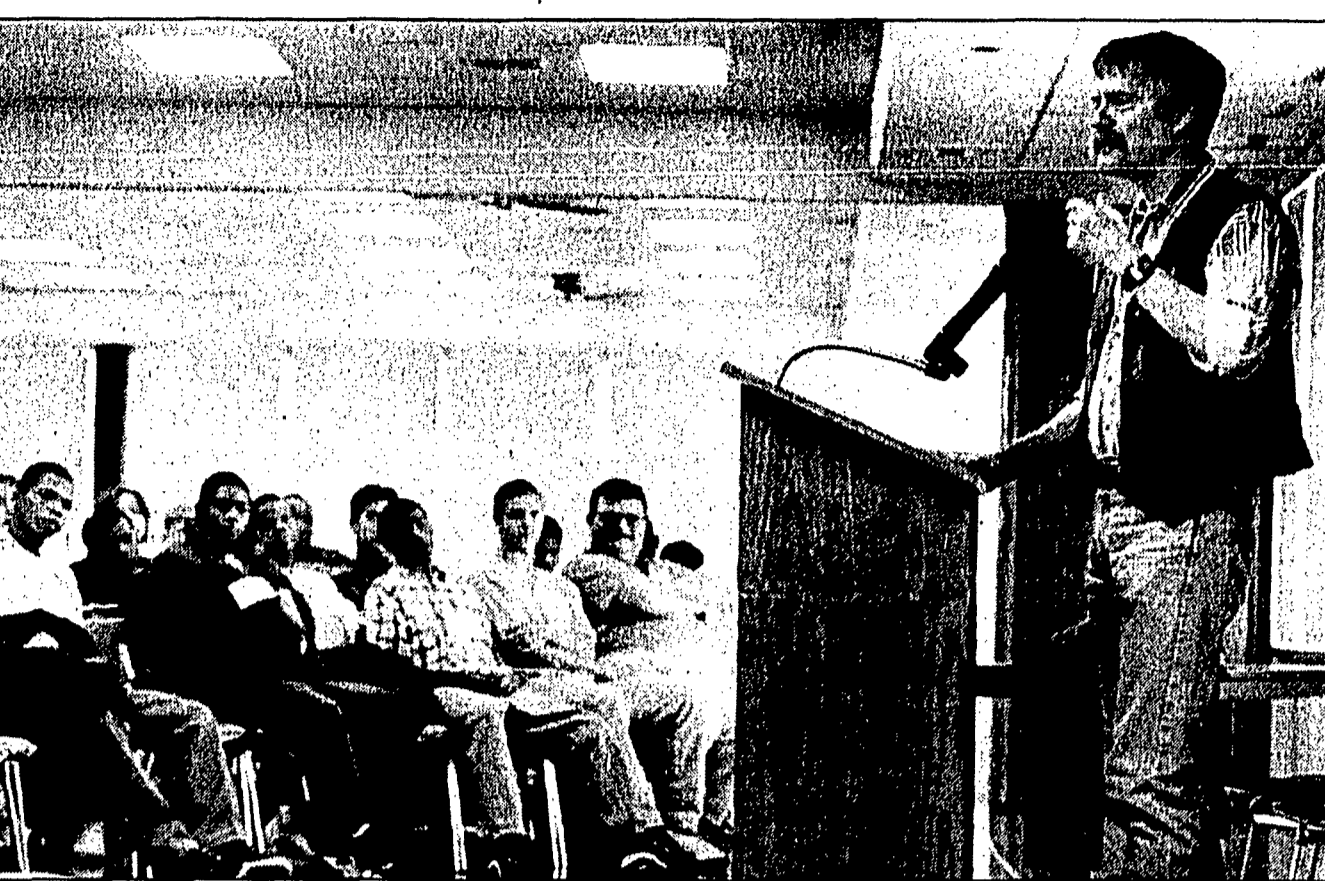
Balancing act

Crutcher's books are filled with things most high school students will recognize — lots of sports, dating anxiety, peer pressure and embarrassment — and also things that are harder to face, including suicide, abusive parents, divorce and abortion.

He said many of his stories — including the tough stories about teenagers — come from real life, particularly his contact with troubled teens at the Spokane Mental Health Center, where he has counseled families for more than 15 years. Some of the stories of abuse and trouble at home he heard from kids at the center were the basis for his characters' stories, including "Staying Fat for Sarah Byrnes" and "The Deep End."

However, Crutcher said he is careful to always balance out the stories of abuse and pain with a good dose of his own sense of humor.

"For the last 15 years, I've heard two



During his afternoon session at the Young Adult Literature Festival Oct. 28, author Chris Crutcher speaks with students and teachers from area schools. Crutcher shared some stories that influenced his books, and he also read a chapter from his next book.

of those stories a week, and you just can't do that without a sense of humor," Crutcher said. "It's the sense of humor that keeps you going."

While working at the mental health center, Crutcher started his writing career at age 35. His first book was "Running Loose," which was listed as one of the best young adult books of the 1980s. It was also listed in the top 10 most challenged books in 1995.

Because of the difficult nature of his subject matter, Crutcher has found many of his books at the center of censorship disputes in schools.

"Up front, you get challenged about language, but really you get banned because of the ideas," he said. "You're writing about things that make people uncomfortable."

He said problems come because in order for his books to get into the hands of students, they must first pass through school administrators. This is often where censorship problems arise.

"The problem with so-called young adult literature is that you're writing about 16 to 18-year-olds and the schools

say you have to read this and this, the people you write about won't be reading it," he said. "They have to go through adult readers first."

Creating craftsmanship

While getting his books into students' hands can sometimes be difficult, Crutcher had the good fortune to get his material into the right publishers' hands.

While he was in college, he became friends with Terry Davis, who wrote "Vision Quest" in 1979, which was later made into a movie with Matthew Modine and Madonna. Because of his contact with Davis, Crutcher was able to get "Running Loose" to the people who publish Davis' works.

More than just a publishing contact, though, Crutcher said being around Davis showed him the process of writing and rewriting, and it convinced him that authors weren't some space aliens.

"I thought all authors were either like that or dead," Crutcher said. "But this was a guy I could beat in one-on-one basketball."

As Davis was writing "Vision

Quest," about a high school wrestler once a week he would read Crutcher a chapter, to see if it was believable.

"He'd bring it back and it would be smoother and better," Crutcher said. "As it got to be chapter five and six and seven, I got to see the story take shape."

With that glimpse into the craftsmanship of writing, Crutcher started writing his own stories, full of sports, friendships and tough issues. Athletics tends to be the center of most of his books; his collection of short stories is even titled "Athletic Shorts."

"When I sit down to start writing stories about people who are 16 or 17 years old, the athletic part just kind of falls into that," Crutcher said. "I don't want to sit down and just write jock stories. The vision I have to have to tell a story like that is the 17-year-old vision."

It is that vision in his books that has students around the area snapping up his works in book stores and libraries.

"There's a level of honesty and intensity in the subject matter," Hartman said. "It's truly honest, and it's not just a teen book."

Something about the author

Name: Chris Crutcher
Birthday: July 17, 1946
Hometown: Cascade, Idaho

Education: Received a bachelor's degree in psychology and sociology and a teaching certificate from Eastern Washington State College

First job: Worked at his dad's service station when he was 9

Favorite sport: Basketball

Favorite TV show: "Frasier"

Published books: "Running Loose," 1983; "Stotan!" 1986; "The Crazy Horse Electric Game," 1987; "Chinese Handcuffs," 1989; "Athletic Shorts," 1991; "The Deep End," 1992; "Staying Fat for Sarah Byrnes," 1993; "Ironman," 1995

Time it takes to finish writing a book: About a year

Book he's reading right now: "Underworld," by Don Dilello

Awards: Honored in 1994 for "significant contribution to young adult literature" by the Assembly on Literature for Young Adolescents of the National Council of Teachers of English; four books have been named an ALA Best Book for Young Adults; "Running Loose," "Chinese Handcuffs" and "Stotan!" were listed among the best young adult novels of the 1980s.

Stories made into movies: "Angus," based on "A Brief Moment in the Life of Angus Bethune," which appears in "Athletic Shorts." Crutcher is currently working on the screenplay version of "Staying Fat for Sarah Byrnes."

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Bearcats, Bulldogs battle for Hickory Stick

Sports evoke mixed reactions from columnist

by Colin McDonough
Managing Editor

Very rarely would Northwest put the Hickory Stick on the back burner, but with Saturday's game looming near that is exactly where the Stick stands — in the back-ground.

The 'Cats will tangle with Truman State University Saturday at 1 p.m. in Rickenbrode Stadium with the Hickory Stick on the line. It is the longest Division II trophy series but the Bearcats are thinking less about the Stick and more about a conference title and playoff berth.

Northwest comes into the game with a record of 9-0 and is rated No. 4 in the latest NCAA Division II national rankings. Truman has a 6-2 overall record and a 6-1 mark in the MIAA.

Defensive coordinator Scott Bostwick said the fans need to show their support in the 'Cats' regular season finale.

"We need everybody's help this week," Bostwick said. "We need to challenge every student to be there — wearing green and making noise."

Mel Tjeerdsma, head football coach, said the team has to get support from the students.

"We've got so much we're playing for this week," Tjeerdsma said. "We've given a lot of people joy and entertainment and we need them. We've been spoiled in the past but we've got a good product and its something we should be proud of."

The 'Cats will be playing for at least a tie for the MIAA champion-

ship in the game and would lock up a playoff bid with a victory.

"To show you how much this game means, when we beat Pittsburg (State University) we accomplished only one goal — beating Pitt," Tjeerdsma said. "If we win this week, we will have accomplished seven more goals. That just shows how important this game is."

Brian Sutton, junior defensive back, said the 'Cats would cherish another MIAA title but would not be satisfied unless they won the championship without a tie.

"We had a tie last year," Sutton said. "We want it outright this year."

Truman could present a difficult task for the 'Cats, Tjeerdsma said.

"They're a good, well-balanced, well-coached football team," he said. "They run and pass extremely well. They like to bootleg pass off the run and that's tough to defend. Defensively, they are a real solid team. You can get yards but you don't get many points."

Wade Hanson, senior wide receiver, said both teams will be ready to battle come Saturday.

"It's a big game because we're cross-state rivals," Hanson said. "They lost on Saturday, but they'll still be fired up for us."

Scott Courter, sophomore wide receiver, said the Hickory Stick looks good in Maryville and does not want to give it back.

"Last year we were able to go over there and take it back," Courter said. "I'm sure they'll be looking for revenge, but we want to keep it for a while."

Daniel Keys, junior defensive



Sophomore A-back Charlie Pugh runs up the middle toward the endzone during the Bearcat's 41-9 win over the Central Missouri University Saturday. This week the Bearcats will battle rival Truman State University.

John Petrovic/Contributing Photographer

back, said the Bulldogs create a test the 'Cats want to face.

"I'm really looking forward to the challenge because they are a very balanced team," Keys said. "Teams like that give us a chance to see how good we are."

Northwest 41, CMSU 9

A slow start turned into a methodical trouncing of the Central Missouri State University Mules Saturday in Rickenbrode Stadium, 41-9.

The Bearcats dominated the line of scrimmage and pounded the Mules into submission. Northwest tallied 253 rushing yards compared to only 100 for CMSU.

Hanson had a huge day for the Bearcats catching five passes for 84 yards and two touchdowns.

"The coaches had been kind of holding me back so that teams would not key on me," Hanson said. "I just got open and (quarterback Chris) Greisen found me."

Sutton said the Mules gave up mentally and really could not get back in the game.

"They're a good team, but their morale was down," he said. "So we just tried to go out and do our job."

Northwest's defensive effort was also a big factor against the Mules.

"Defensively, I was really pleased with the way we came out and played

really hard and got after it," Tjeerdsma said. "We were very physical, especially with our linebackers and secondary. We really came up and made the plays."

However, the game was not all positives for the 'Cats, because they lost junior A-back Derek Lane to a shoulder seperation in the first quarter. He will be out two to three weeks.

Taking his place will be sophomore Charlie Pugh and redshirt freshman Dave Jansen. Jansen gained 70 yards on seven carries Saturday.

"Dave had some explosive runs," Tjeerdsma said. "He's an explosive player, and he always gets positive yards."



Wendy Broker

This was quite a week in Bearcat sports.

The football team's future remains solid after they took down the Central Missouri State University Mules, 41-9, last

week. The 'Cats remain the only MIAA team without a blemish on their record.

Up next for the team is longtime rival Truman State University. The battle for the Hickory Stick is in the 'Ville this year, where Northwest will try to repeat last year's 52-22 smashing of the Bulldogs.

The Bulldogs come into the game off a 28-18 loss to Pitt State. My guess is they will be rarin' to redeem themselves and what better way than to knock off the 9-0 Bearcats. My prediction is this will be a close game: Northwest 31, Truman 24.

The volleyball team went 3-1 at the Drury College Volleyball Classic, a nice tournament finish for the second week in a row. Go Bearcats. Maybe it's just time in the season where all the new players have finally clicked or maybe the seniors just want to go out in style. Whatever the reason, it certainly speaks well of the team.

The men's and women's cross country teams had the weekend off following the MIAA championships where the women three-peated as champs and the men moved up from last year's fourth-place finish to take second. This weekend, the teams will head to Wisconsin, for the regional meet, to take aim at a spot in the NCAA national meet. The women must place in the top four to return to nationals where they finished 10th last year. The men will shoot to be in the top five to make their first appearance at the national meet in over 10 years. Good luck runners.

In other action: Did anyone catch that Notre Dame/Navy game Saturday? Talk about a heartstopper. The Fighting Irish barely pulled it out following a Hail Mary pass by Navy as time expired. But the luck of the Irish prevailed and the player from the Navy was stopped two yards short of the winning touchdown.

On a more depressing note, the world renowned Chicago Bulls lost their opening game to the Boston Celtics Friday night, but bounced back to win over the 76ers Saturday. With Dennis Rodman just signing his contract last week, and not quite in tip-top shape, and Scottie Pippen out for the next two months, the Bulls have some adjusting to do if they want to be contenders this year.

And the worst for me, and don't hate me Chiefs fans, the Cowboys lost to the 49ers 17-10, after a controversial last-minute play in which Micheal Irvin, grabbing for the tying touchdown pass, was caught up with 49er Rod Woodson. The play was first ruled pass interference, but then the referees pulled the game out of the Cowboys' grasp by ruling that the men's feet simply got tangled. And to make the loss even more painful, just two plays later, Troy Aikman was intercepted to end the game.

Well, that's all the sports news for this week's edition. Tune in next week for more sports action.

Wendy Broker is the University sports editor for the Northwest Missourian.

Cross country squads will compete at regional meet

by Wendy Broker
University Sports Editor

The final step before nationals will be taken this weekend as the cross country teams travel to Kenosha, Wis., for the Great Lakes regional meet.

The men, ranked fifth in last week's regional coaches' poll and 18th in the national poll, will attempt to finish in the top five, which will enable them to travel back to Kenosha in two weeks for the NCAA Division II national meet.

If the men win the opportunity to appear at the national meet, it will mark the first time in over 10 years the team has done so.

Juniors Robby Lane, Don Ferree,

Brian Cornelius and Corey Parks, along with sophomores Matt Johnson and Bryan Thornburg and freshman Mike Ostreko will be running for the 'Cats.

Rich Alsop, men's head coach, said this is the meet that will determine the rest of the men's season.

"This an exciting time of year," Alsop said. "This is a washroom meet. If you run good, you don't take the uniforms to the washroom to stay, you don't run well and you put them away. It's basically D-day. This is it."

Potential is not a problem for the men, it is performance at this particular meet that will make the difference.

"The men need to have some courage to race as well as they train," Alsop said. "It will be important if

we're going to move on, to have two or three of the men really step it up and live up to their potential. We have come along way, we just need to continue."

The road to the national championship will not be easy for the men.

"No one will just give us that fifth-place finish (needed to make nationals)," Alsop said. "We will have to work awfully hard to get there. We have no fear of anybody, though. Everyone will start and finish at the same place."

Women seek to return to nationals

The women's cross country team is vying for a repeat appearance at the NCAA national meet with a fourth-place or higher finish at the Great

Lakes regional meet this weekend.

Taking the starting line for the Bearcats will be seniors Kathy Kearns, Carrie Sindelar and Dana Luke, along with juniors Lindsey Borgstadt and Jen Miller and freshman Meghan Carlson. The women's seventh runner will either be sophomore Becca Glassel or freshman Sarah Handrup, pending coach Bud Williams' decision.

Williams said the team will advance to the national meet if their performance at regionals is consistent with past races.

"It is only reasonable and realistic that if we run our own races and perform at the level of our ability, we will qualify for the national meet," Williams said. "It will be dif-

ficult for us to beat Lewis (University), a perennial power. We will try to challenge them and just hope for the best."

The Bearcats, currently ranked second in the region and eighth in the nation, are expected to finish second in the meet to Lewis, but Williams acknowledges nothing is set in stone.

"Ratings don't mean anything until the race is run. Each day when you race, you have to prove you are as good as the polls say," Williams said. "No one will just lie down and play dead just because Northwest arrives on the scene. We must remain injury free and healthy. Each of the women must run well, because there are teams out there just waiting to knock us off."

Griffons smash Bearcat spikers

by Wendy Broker
University Sports Editor

The Griffons sent the Bearcats back to Maryville with a 3-0 loss.

Missouri Western State College, No. 1 in the conference, came out strong, beating the 'Cats in three straight, 6-15, 8-15, 15-17.

Jennifer Waldron, junior outside hitter, picked up 12 kills and 17 digs, while Diann Davis, senior middle hitter, notched four blocks. Freshman setter Abby Wilms added 42 assists.

The team finished last weekend's Drury College Tournament with a 3-1 record losing only to the University of Alabama-Huntsville.

In the 'Cats last game of the tournament, they faced Drury College, and came out on top after three games, 15-3, 15-7, 15-4.

Abby Sunderman, freshman middle hitter, led the team with 15 kills, while Jill Quast, freshman outside hitter, added 17 digs and Wilms

tacked on 33 assists and 15 digs.

To start off the day Saturday, the women played Central Arkansas taking the match in three games, 15-3, 15-7, 15-13.

Quast and Sunderman each racked up 11 kills, as junior Jennifer Waldron added 11 assists.

Friday night, the women of Lyon College tried to knock the Bearcats off but came up short. The 'Cats won the first two, 15-2, 15-7, lost the third 14-16, and came back to win the match with a 15-4 score in game four.

Davis helped facilitate the win with 12 kills and nine blocks. Quast tallied 12 kills and 13 digs as well.

In the Bearcats opening game of the tournament, they fell to Huntsville in a four game match, 11-15, 15-10, 15-5, 17-15.

The weekend showed improvement in the women's defense.

"This weekend we saw a lot of team improvement, and blocking, probably the hardest skill, was our No. 1 improvement," head coach

Sarah Pelster said. "Since we changed our defense, we have been picking up more of the junk in the middle that maybe hurt us in the past."

Along with building a successful record this weekend, the Bearcat women broke some school records.

Davis put her name on two records after the weekend, breaking her old record in block assists with 151, and also taking the record for total blocks with 223. Davis is ranked No. 2 in the nation in blocks.

Wilms broke Jennifer Pitttrich's 1995 record for assists in a season with 1,494. She is now No. 5 in career assists at Northwest and stands at No. 9 in the nation in assists (as of Oct. 26).

Quast created a new mark of 571 for most digs in a season, breaking Stacy Hoelscher's 1989 record, and is now No. 14 in the nation in digs.

"This shows that we have a great class of volleyball players here," Pelster said. "We have made great strides with the young, inexperienced team we started this season out with."

Athletic Shorts

Runners honored for academics

The MIAA announced the 1997-98 Commissioner's Academic Honor Roll for cross country Monday.

Juniors Brian Cornelius, Don Ferree and Robby Lane, along with sophomores Matt Brownsburger, Josh Heihn, Matt Johnson and Eric Rector all received the honor.

Five Northwest women also received the honor. Seniors Kathy Kearns, Dana Luke and Carrie Sindelar, as well as junior Lindsey Borgstadt and sophomore Stacey Otte were named to the Commissioner's list.

In order to be named to the honor roll, athletes must have a cumulative grade-point average of 3.0 or better, must have attended their present MIAA school at least two semesters, not including summers, and must be a sophomore, junior or senior in athletic eligibility.

Weather causes postponement

Inclement weather has caused the flag football championships to be pushed back until next week.

In the sorority division, Alpha No. 1 defeated Sigma Kappa Maroon to reach the championship. Alpha No. 1 will play Sigma Kappa Sphinxer Kickers, who defeated Sigma Black. The game is scheduled for 4 p.m. Monday in Rickenbrode Stadium.

In the men's division, Team US pulled out a victory over the Counting Crows to reach the championship. They will face Team Pritchett who defeated Jugband. The championship game will be played at 4:45 p.m. Monday in Rickenbrode.

In the fraternity division, Sigma Phi Epsilon Ep Yours, who squeaked out a victory over Phi Sigma Kappa Chodes, will play the Delta Chi Rebels, who beat the Sig Ep Purple Helmets. The matchup will be at 4:45 p.m. Tuesday in Rickenbrode.

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'Hounds win, improve to 9-0

by Scott Summers
Community Sports Editor

Senior night provided a spark for a few members of the Maryville football team, but the 'Hounds hardly needed the extra motivation, crushing Lincoln Academy 53-0.

Defense was Maryville's money-maker last Friday night as it has been all season.

The Spoofhounds intercepted six passes and held Lincoln Academy to minus four yards rushing.

Senior quarterback John Otte said the 'Hounds are always going to be a challenge for opposing offenses.

"Our defense played great (against Lincoln Academy)," Otte said. "There are not too many teams out there that can score on our defense."

The Spoofhounds struggled to get their offense going early on, but once they did, they blew the Tigers away.

"We were a little rusty at the start," Otte said. "We didn't do all that well, but we played well enough to win."

Grant Sutton, senior running back, put Maryville on the scoreboard with a 21-yard touchdown carry late in the first quarter.

The 'Hounds began the second quarter just as they had ended the first — with a touchdown. This time, Andy Mackey, senior running back, plunged into the end zone from three yards out. Following a missed extra point, Maryville led 13-0.

Minutes later, Otte found his cousin, Adam Otte, junior running back, who streaked 35 yards for a touchdown.

Sutton scored his next touchdown just before halftime when he intercepted a pass and returned it 34 yards for the score. The 'Hounds took a 25-0 lead into the locker room at the break after missing a 2-point conversion attempt.

Adam Weldon, senior running back, started things quickly for Maryville in the second half, scoring on a 7-yard touchdown carry early in the third quarter. John Otte's 2-point conversion run made the score 33-0.

One play is all the 'Hounds needed to pad their lead. Sutton scampered 57 yards for his third touchdown of the game to give the Spoofhounds a 39-point advantage over the Tigers.

Maryville's final two touchdowns came on runs by Jason Cracraft,

“There are not too many teams out there that can score on our defense.”

■ John Otte, senior quarterback Maryville High School



Senior linebacker Grant Sutton and junior linebacker John Edmonds converge on the ball during last Friday's game. Sutton tipped the pass before finally intercepting it and returning it 34 yards for a touchdown during the win.

Jennifer Meyer/Photography Director

Cornhuskers deserve spot atop rankings



■ Scott Summers

Welcome to the show. Armchair quarterbacks take note: This will be the biggest weekend of college football so far this season.

Two of the nation's undefeated

teams are sure to fall. Either Florida State or North Carolina and Penn State or Michigan will fall from the ranks of the unbeaten when they battle each other in head-to-head competition.

Nebraska remains the top-ranked team in all the land after romping the Oklahoma Sooners 69-7 in a contest (by definition only) between two of college football's biggest rivals.

Second-ranked Florida State is the only team with a remote chance of knocking off the Huskers.

Look for the national championship to be on the line when Nebraska and Florida State meet Jan. 2 in Miami at the Orange Bowl.

Sad as it sounds, the 'Noles could beat the Huskers if they can control Nebraska's potent running attack. Don't bet on it.

The most overrated team in the polls is Penn State. For the first few weeks of the season, the Nittany Lions looked as if they might give coach Joe Paterno another title.

After two near losses — the first, a 16-15 squeaker to unranked Minnesota, and this week's 30-27 win over Northwestern, Penn State is lucky to hold onto a No. 3 ranking.

Michigan is playing solid football, — nothing spectacular, but the Wolverines are getting the job done.

There are only two or three teams in the country that could beat Michigan on its home field. The Wolverines' home stadium seats 102,500 screaming Michigan fans. Now, that is home field advantage.

Did anyone else realize North Carolina had a football team before this year? It's true. I looked it up.

The Tar Heels' success this season will undoubtedly come to an end when they meet Florida State this weekend, but it was a good ride.

Here is what next week's top 10 should look like:

1. Nebraska
2. Florida State
3. Michigan
4. Washington
5. Penn State
6. North Carolina
7. Kansas State
8. Ohio State
9. Tennessee
10. Georgia

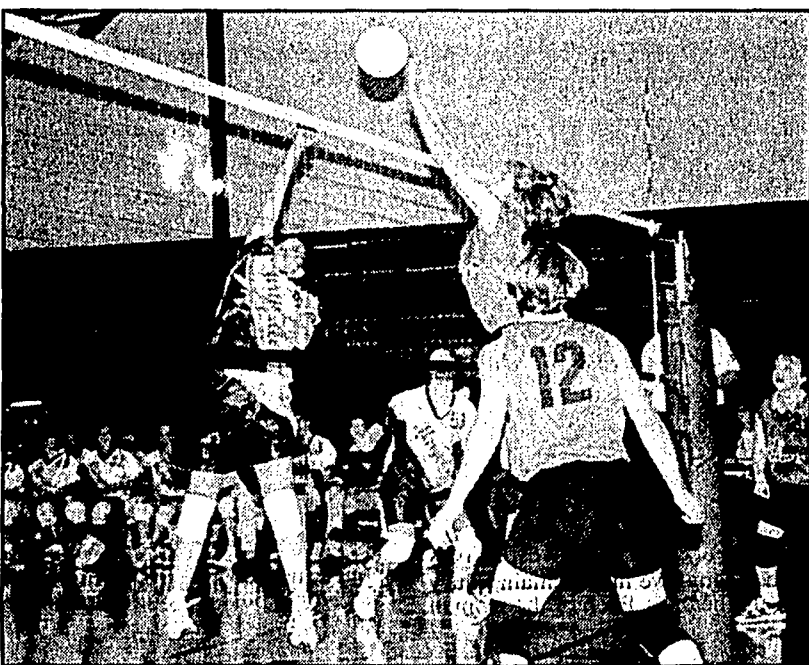
A few notable teams are missing from the list — primarily Florida and Colorado.

Although the Gators may still haunt some opponents, their offense is less powerful than last year's championship squad.

The reason for Colorado's sudden demise is a mystery. Sure, Missouri has a better football team than in past years, but a team as talented as Colorado should never fall to the Tigers.

I guess that proves anything can happen in the strange world of college football.

Scott Summers is the community sports editor for the Northwest Missourian.



File photo

Senior Kerl Lohafer spikes the ball as an opposing player goes up for a block. The volleyball team finished its season with a 20-4 record.

Volleyball squad's season ends following disappointing match

by Mark Milosovich
Missourian Staff

The Maryville girls' volleyball team found an obstacle on the way to its first district championship Thursday.

Platte County put a sudden end to the team's season with a 15-2, 15-8, victory over the 'Hounds.

"The team was very disappointed and upset," head coach Gregg Winslow said. "They know they didn't play to their ability and could have won the match."

This match meant a lot to the Maryville players.

"We were very disappointed because we wanted to go on," senior Abby Lade said. "It was sad because

being a senior, it was my last game."

After defeating Platte County earlier in the season, the team was never really into this match.

"We were too nervous and didn't have our heads in the game," senior Kerl Lohafer said. "We played bad, and they were really pumped up and played great."

After an impressive 20-4 season, losing at districts did not make the season a failure.

"The players were too tight being in a situation that they have never been in before," Winslow said. "After the match, they were depressed, but I told them by no means should this loss take away from anything this year."

The team won two tournaments

this season and captured a share of the conference title, both of which were school firsts.

"This season we did really well and accomplished a lot of our goals for the season," Lohafer said.

This year's squad loses five seniors who brought talent and leadership to the squad. Of the five, three earned all-district honors.

Winslow said next year's team has the capability of being successful.

"We will miss the seniors, but the cupboard is not bare," Winslow said.

He is referring to five juniors who saw playing time and the junior varsity team, which had a 19-1 record.

The team hopes it has the valuable experience to lead it into battle next season.

Cross country team sends lone runner to state meet

■ Senior harrier qualifies to run at final competition in Jefferson City Saturday

by Mark Hornickel
Chief Reporter

The harriers' season came to a close, and one runner accomplished her goal of getting to the state meet last Saturday.

Senior Courtney Conley achieved two goals at the district meet — to medal at every meet this season and qualify for state.

Conley said her coaches helped get her motivated to do as well as she could.

"Heidi (Metz, assistant coach) said before the race, 'Who wants it?,' and I was like, 'I want it,'" Conley said.

Head coach Ron Eckerson was excited with Conley's performance.

"I'm very happy for Courtney," Eckerson said. "The state meet is a good experience. It's always tough at state. Just to make it there is wonderful. If she can get the same time (as this week), she'll do very well."

Conley will run at 11:40 a.m. Saturday in Jefferson City.

Freshman Jennifer Heller was the next 'Hound finisher after Conley. She finished the race with a time of 23:51.

Junior Laura Loch came next with a time 25:50 and sophomore Amy Eckerson ended with a time of 28:11. Sophomore Kerry Wilmes finished the race in a time of 31:24.

The girls' team finished in seventh place, scoring 137 points at the district race.

In the varsity boys' race, senior Brian Jewell failed to return to the state competition finishing at a time of 18:38.

"It was a pretty fast moving race," Jewell said. "I was hoping for a time in the lower 18s. A little bit of my mental (mind) got into it."

Junior Jason Felton, who was trying to reach the state meet for the first

time, missed a chance with a time of 19:20.

"I wanted to run the best I could," Felton said. "I started out fast and I just didn't have enough at the end."

Eckerson said Jewell and Felton could have helped themselves at the beginning of the race by getting a better start.

"Brian (Jewell) probably could've qualified, but Jason (Felton) just didn't have the go power," Eckerson said.

Junior Dustin Coulter was the next runner with a time of 20:03. Junior Nate Harris earned a time of 22:28, while freshman Adam Messner took a time of 23:44.

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First Quarter
CMSU — FG Meyer 45, 9:57
NW — Lane 2 run (Pumell kick), 5:14
Second Quarter
NW — Greisen 5 run (Pumell kick), 14:56
CMSU — FG Meyer 22, 7:30
NW — Hanson 20 pass from Greisen (Pumell kick), 2:19
NW — FG Pumell 46, 0:00
Third Quarter
NW — Hanson 2 pass from Greisen (Pumell kick), 4:30
Fourth Quarter
NW — FG Pumell 37, 11:50
CMSU — FG Meyer 29, 8:21
NW — Evans 27 run (Pumell kick), 7:34

The Bearcats are 9-0 on the season and ranked No. 4 in the nation. Northwest will play 1 p.m. Saturday in Rickenbrode Stadium.

MIAA Standings

Conference	W	L	Overall			
	W	L	Pts.	PA		
NWMSU	7	0	9	0	362	103
PSU	6	1	7	1	254	113
TSU	6	1	6	2	269	166
ESU	4	3	6	3	350	234
MSSC	4	3	5	3	201	198
CMSU	3	4	4	5	274	253
MWSC	2	5	4	5	199	203
WU	2	5	3	6	182	203
UMR	1	6	2	7	114	256
SBU	0	7	0	8	66	325

NCAA Division II Poll

School (State)	(Record)	Points
1. Carson-Newman (Tenn.)	(8-0)	80
2. New Haven (Conn.)	(8-1)	76
3. Angelo State (Texas)	(8-0)	71
4. Northwest	(9-0)	69
5. Texas A&M-Kingsville	(7-1)	63
6. Albany State (Ga.)	(8-0)	60
7. North Dakota	(7-1)	57
8. Slippery Rock (Pa.)	(8-1)	52

9. West Georgia	(7-1)	48
10. Pittsburg State (Kan.)	(7-1)	44
11. Tie-Shepherd (W. Va.)	(8-0)	38
Western State (Colo.)	(6-2)	38
13. Northern Colorado	(7-2)	31
14. Southern Arkansas	(7-1)	26
15. Grand Valley State (Mich.)	(8-1)	25
16. New Mexico Highlands	(7-2)	20
17. North Alabama	(7-2)	15
18. Truman State	(6-2)	12
19. Ashland (Ohio)	(8-1)	6
20. UC-Davis	(5-4)	5

Midwest Regional Rankings

1. Northwest
2. North Dakota
3. Pittsburg State
4. Northern Colorado
5. Truman State
6. Nebraska-Omaha
7. North Dakota State

8. Emporia State
9. Winona State
10. Missouri Southern

At the end of the regular season schedule, only the top 4 teams will advance to the NCAA Division II playoffs. The higher ranked team will have home-field advantage.

Division II Key Matchups for Nov. 8

Indianapolis at Ashland
UC-Davis at Grand Valley
Slippery Rock at Shippensburg
Shepherd at Glenville State
Northern Colorado at South Dakota State
Truman at Northwest
Texas A&M-Kingsville at Abilene Christian
Angelo State at Texas A&M-Commerce
New Mexico Highlands at Nebraska-Kearney
Carson-Newman at Newberry College
Albany Central at N.C. Central
West Georgia at North Alabama

Southern Arkansas at N.E. Oklahoma State
Valdosta State at Central Arkansas
Clark Atlanta at Morehouse
Fayetteville State at Livingstone

MIAA Schedule

Thursday, Oct. 6
Missouri Western @ Pittsburg State
Saturday, Oct. 8
Emporia State @ Missouri-Rolla
Missouri Southern @ Southwest Baptist
Truman State @ Northwest
Washburn @ Central Missouri

Saturday, Oct. 15
Northwest @ Emporia State
Pittsburg State @ Washburn
Southwest Baptist @ Missouri-Rolla
Central Missouri @ Missouri Western
Truman State @ Missouri Southern

Maryville High School

Friday, Oct. 31
Lincoln Academy at Maryville
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Maryville 7 18 21 7 — 53

First Quarter
M — Sutton 21 run (Pederson kick)
Second Quarter
M — Mackey 3 run (kick failed)
M — Adam Otto 35 pass from John Otto (run failed)
M — Sutton 34 interception return (run failed)
Third Quarter
M — Weldon 7 run (John Otto run)
M — Sutton 57 run (kick failed)
M — Cracraft 8 run (Pederson kick)
Fourth Quarter
M — Cracraft 2 run (Pederson kick)

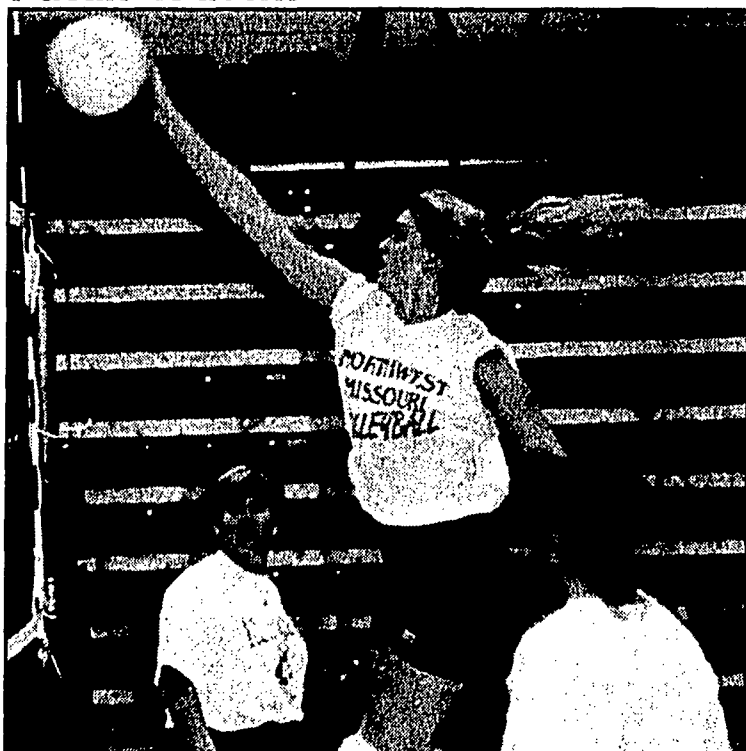
First Downs	10	Tigers	5
Rushing	244		74
Passing Yards	72		73
Total Yards	316		69

The Spoofhounds are 9-0 on the season and ranked No. 1 in the state. Maryville will play at 7 p.m. Friday at Platte County.

Intramural Points

Fraternity		Sorority	
Sig Ep	302	Alpha Sig	183
TKE	245	Tri-Sigma	168
Delta Chi	241	Phi Mu	163
Phi Sig	215	Sigma Kappa	151
AKL	188	Delta Zeta	55
Kappa Sig	25		

Puttin' it down



Diann Davis, senior middle hitter, spikes the ball in Tuesday's practice. The Bearcats lost to Missouri Western, 6-15, 8-15, 15-17, Wednesday. Davis recorded four blocks in the conference matchup.

Tim Kay/Chief Photographer

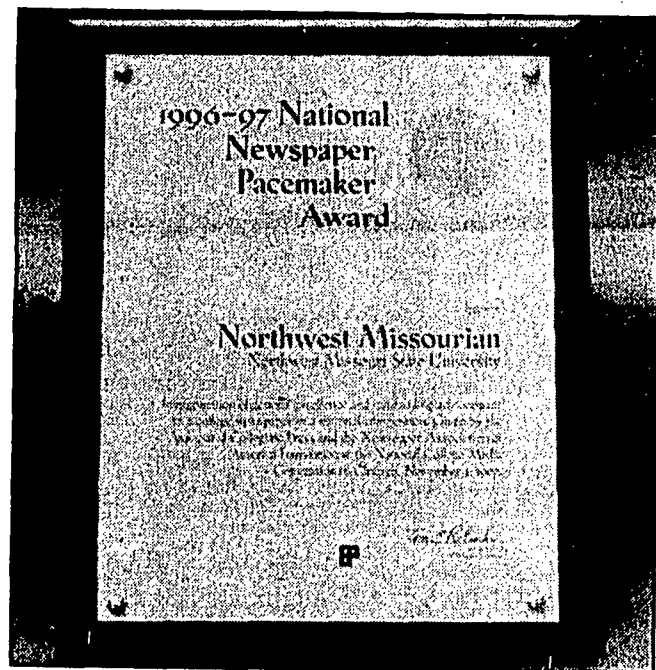
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Speaking out: Sigma Sigma Sigma sponsors 3rd annual silent walk

Story by
Brian Starkey
and Heather Butler

Type the word, MISSING, he said. I kept repeating to myself: 'This can't be true' She is just late, not MISSING. Yet, even at that very moment, unknown to all of us, Stephanie was going to be missing for the rest of our lives."

These words echoed through the mind of Stephanie Schmidt's father, Gene, two days before her 20th birthday, July 2, 1993.

Stephanie was murdered and raped by a restaurant co-worker who was on an early release program from prison after raping another female. Stephanie had no prior knowledge of his history because laws at the time protected criminals from revealing their pasts.

Awareness may have prevented Stephanie's death. The only mistake she made was to accept a ride from a friend, and co-worker, whose violent past was kept silent — a silence that left Stephanie fatally unaware.

After finding her body 27 days later, Stephanie's family Gene, Peggy, her mother, and Jeni, her sister, refused to allow the silence to remain. The day after Stephanie was buried, the Schmidt's formed a task force.

Since Stephanie's death, her family has passed six major bills in Kansas and testified on the federal level regarding sex-offender registration and sexual predator laws. They continue to work to change laws and attitudes and to restore common sense in the judicial system.

"We cannot continue to hide the criminal's past and assume that his punishment and incarceration have rehabilitated him," Gene said. "Nor can we continue to release known violent offenders back into our society without public notification."

In addition to speaking on awareness and legal issues, the family began The Stephanie Schmidt Foundation and founded a S.O.S. (Speak Out for Stephanie) Chapter at Pittsburg State University.

Less than one year after Stephanie's death, the foundation put into effect the Stephanie Schmidt Sexual Predator Act and made it a law.

Since Stephanie's death, The Stephanie Schmidt Foundation that was started in Pittsburg State is supported at Northwest.

The S.O.S. Chapter at Northwest will sponsor the third annual Silent Walk Nov. 12 around campus To protest violent crime, sexual assault and rape. The walk will begin with guest speakers at 7:45 p.m. Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia members will sing at the event.

The S.O.S. Chapter was founded at Northwest through the local Sigma Sigma Sigma chapter, because of the untimely death of a member, Karen Hawkins.

Hawkins was last seen April 21, 1996. A miss-



ABOVE: Women of Sigma Sigma Sigma participate in the first Silent Walk for the S.O.S. Foundation in 1995. The walk had about 500 participants; 1,000 on Nov. 12

are expected. RIGHT: Members of Tri Sigma gather after the second annual silent walk. They found support from their sisterhood while remembering Karen Hawkins.



S.O.S. Pledge

I promise to never be silent whenever human beings endure suffering and humiliation. I will always take sides, because I know that neutrality only helps the oppressor, never the victim.

I will Speak Out because I know that silence only encourages the tormentor, never the tormented. I will interfere when human lives are endangered or when human dignity is in jeopardy.

I will Speak Out. I am only one, but still I am one. I cannot do everything, but still I can do something. And because I cannot do everything, I will not refuse to do the something that I can do.

This I promise as each new day dawns.

Laws affected by S.O.S.

Aug. 4, 1993 — The Stephanie Schmidt Task Force was formed. By November, five legislative bills were drafted regarding repeat sex offenders.

April 9, 1994 — Only nine months after her death, The Stephanie Schmidt Sexual Predator Act became a retroactive law to all Kansas sex offenders.

May 5, 1994 — All other bills are signed by Gov. Finney: The Sex-Offender Registration Act allowed for the public release of registered sex offenders names; increased sentencing time for second time offenders; and changed falsification of information by a sex offender from a misdemeanor to a felony.

March 2, 1996 — The Kansas Supreme Court struck down the Sexual Predator Act as unconstitutional because the act used the words "mental abnormality" instead of "mental illness." The decision has been appealed to the U.S. Supreme Court.

April 6, 1996 — The Kansas Supreme Court upheld the constitutionality of the Sex Offender Registration law with public access to the information. Newspapers are encouraged to print the information regarding the released sex offenders who have had to register since April of 1994.

June 23, 1997 — The U.S. Supreme Court upheld the Stephanie Schmidt Sexual Predator Law. Thirty-three states immediately file for similar legislation. Information compiled by The Stephanie Schmidt Foundation.

Unknown to all of us, Stephanie was going to be missing for the rest of our lives."

■ Gene Schmidt, father of Stephanie

The walk, and everything it symbolizes, gives those involved a gratifying feeling.

"When we were asked last year to sing at the walk, we were extremely honored," said Dave Catherall, Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia member. "We wanted to perform something difficult and special because of what the walk represents."

Everyone is encouraged to participate in the walk regardless of their affiliation.

"Personally, I believe that it is an honor to be involved because of everything that the Schmidt's have accomplished," said Heather Cutler, education director for Tri Sigma. "The walk is free, so I encourage everyone to attend."

The Schmidt's, and everyone who speaks out for Stephanie, continue their quest for vigilance to change laws, attitudes and lives.

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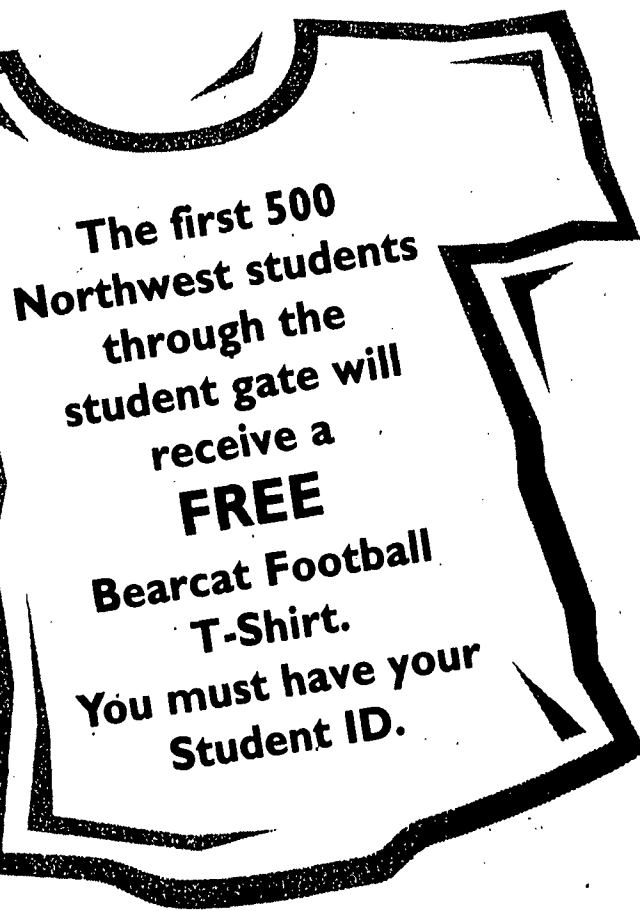
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The Stroller

Columnist's humor isn't funny



The Stroller

Your Man distinguishes between facts, fiction in local editorial

I just wanted to apologize for the quality of last week's article, it was bad. I wrote it, submitted it to the editor and hoped nothing would be cut. But much like 2 Live Crew, I was censored. They feel I should cool things down a little bit. I think the only thing that should cool down is the weather, so I see no reason why I can't stir up a little heat.

Another person stirring up a little bit a heat is Tate Sinclair, a Maryville Daily Forum writer. For those of you that didn't even know that Maryville had a daily paper, I'll bring you up to date. For you, Tate, here is your 15 minutes of fame; so grab your scissors and add this one to your scrapbook.

Sinclair's article starts off by saying that only the administration and staff of Northwest recognize the symbiotic (both parties serve each other equally) relationship between Maryville and the University. If you haven't noticed, the administration and staff of Northwest are permanent inhabitants of Maryville, making the relationship self serving, which is far from symbiotic. In fact, the relationship between the students and Maryville is extremely parasitic. Look at it this way, students are visitors to Maryville. Let's call them vacationers here for eight months out of the year to learn and have fun. We drop all of our hard earned money, our parent's money and the government's money, back into a community that we essentially don't belong to. Despite the abundance of industry in Maryville, if the school would close today, Maryville would die a slow death. Students could survive without Maryville, making the relationship one sided or parasitic. The average student needs roughly \$10,385 to survive, and not lavishly, one year at Northwest. There are approximately 6,200 students attending Northwest. The students alone generate \$64,387,000 to Maryville's commerce. Take that away from the 'Ville and see what would happen. Many businesses do offer valuable services and sometimes kickbacks, but the relationship is not symbiotic.

Sinclair also expressed his disgust for the communications department at Northwest. He said, "The Stroller is an anonymous columnist who can shoot his (or her) mouth off without fear of retribution. Each week, along with ridiculing the Greek system, the Stroller takes cheap shots at Maryville, anytime he can." This job is not free from retribution. I, along with other Stroller suspects, have been threatened not only physically, but verbally and electronically (e-mail). Yes, I have poked fun at Northwest and the Greek system, which I happen to be part of both. But I have never taken "a cheap shot" at Maryville — I've read every article, I should know. The Stroller is not meant to be accurate, it's meant to be amusing. If you want to read something constructive, do the

crossword puzzle to the right.

Sinclair goes to the other side of the communications department and criticizes "Maryville Tonight's" host Chris Stigall. Sinclair said, "Chris Stigall is nothing but a high school ham and loudmouth, that has never grown up." Sinclair, why such a low blow? Even I haven't picked one person out and just ridiculed them.

Sinclair also goes on to stick up for the construction workers on campus. He said, "Those men are out there working every day in tunnels and holes most college students are scared to go around, let alone spend a day digging. What does Chris, the host, do? Why he ridicules them for being stupid and lazy."

Yes, reread that last sentence, there's a typo and it's exactly the way it appeared in the Forum. Tate, you should have had someone proofread your articles, especially when you are criticizing someone for being stupid and lazy.

By the way Sinclair, it is not only our right, but our duty to criticize those construction workers because they work for us. They have given us completion dates which have not been met. For students who have a classroom that is near a construction crew, you know that they are not working to their full potential. And Sinclair, the reason we are in college is so we don't have to dig holes and tunnels. He also points out that the workers will do more work while in Maryville than Stigall will ever do.

You know Sinclair, if you look at it in a physics perspective, you're right. Work equals force multiplied by mass. Chris only pushes pens as opposed to those heavy steam pipes. Yes Stigall, I am sticking up for you. The condom joke in front of the Eugene Field student was in poor taste, but you never claimed to have taste.

The part that bothered me the most about Sinclair's little article was his statement, "I'm all for free speech, and if the University wants to give these people this kind of power, that's their choice." Sinclair, you should know that it's not the University that gives us the power, just as it's not Maryville that gives you the power to publish your opinions — it's the Constitution.

Sinclair, you must realize there's a huge difference in what Chris and I do and what you have written. What we do is satirical and meant to be entertaining. You have done nothing but criticize the University, that you once attended, in a harsh way. I tried to be nice in this article, but I hope Chris Stigall does not treat this the same way. I can't wait to see the next "Maryville Tonight." Give 'em hell, Chris.

The Stroller has been a tradition at Northwest since 1918 and does not reflect the views of the Missouriian.

Weekly Crossword

ACROSS

1. Pianist Peterson
6. Short race
10. Very, in Versailles
14. Fole gras source
15. Double-reed instrument
16. Delicate
17. Home of the Barbary apes (3 words.)
20. Airline

schedule

21. Fume
22. Manitoba Indians
23. Dichin of music
24. Bankrupt
25. Emulates the waiting
28. Tardy
31. Resin color
32. Broadway's Auntie

33. Bond rating

35. Lode's locale
36. Texas
37. Pivotal point
38. Complete
39. Countenance
40. Metaphysical poet of fame
41. Century components
44. Believes
45. Hockey great Bobby
46. Small store
47. Richard's second-

in-command

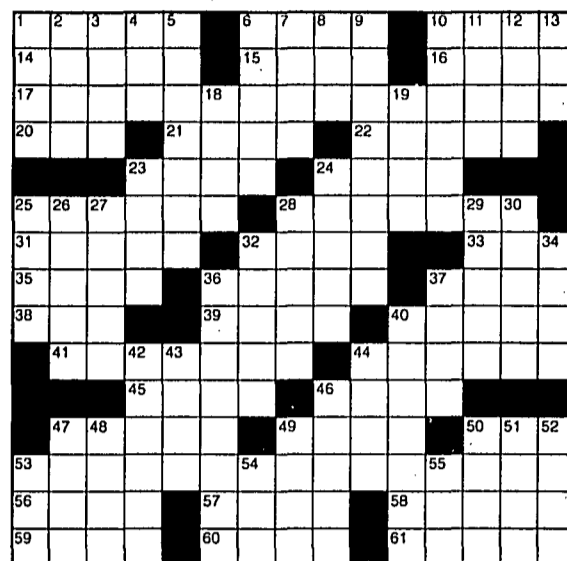
49. Defrost
50. Letter after sigma
53. Traits
56. Type of novel
57. Kin of lettuce and dough
58. Chilling
59. Certain
60. Seethe
61. Dog and bob

DOWN

1. Hobgoblin
2. Coal dust
3. Caesar's sidekick, once
4. "Go Alice"
5. New supply
6. Bag (restaurant leftovers)
7. Lover of an Irish Rose
8. Sister
9. Symbol of strength
10. Knack
11. Extreme function, e.g.
12. Periods in history
13. Hafez al-Assad's nation (abbr.)

Answers to last issue's puzzle

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18. Short-lived money makers
19. Concert solo
23. Never Give a Sucker A Break
24. Invoice word
25. Surfboard support
26. Correct
27. Stomach
28. Reveals
29. Makes money
30. Intimidate
32. Actress King
34. Chopping tools
36. Yale products
37. Clever accomplishments
40. Nods off
42. Twitters
43. Special air
44. Siamese
46. Kate, e.g.
47. Evade
48. Bloodless
49. At a distance: prefix
50. Exhaust
51. It reddens blue litmus paper
52. Applies
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54. Make edging
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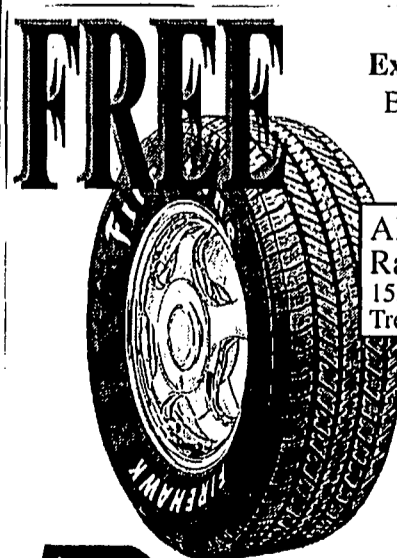
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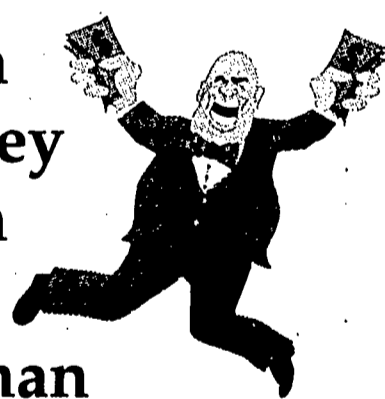
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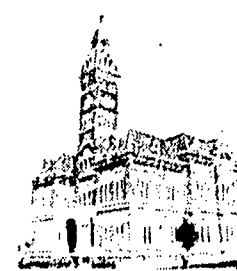
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City makes final street decisions

Council narrows its choices to 1 permanent, 4 asphalt overlays of maintenance project

by Nicole Fuller
Assignment Director

After careful consideration and discussion, Maryville City Council members made the final choice in the 1998 permanent and asphalt overlay street projects Monday.

They narrowed the final decision of the permanent street project to East Thompson Street. It will consist of nine blocks from South Vine Street to South Laura Street. They are hoping to be able to finish at least six blocks completely, and the other three will be finished depending on the cost.

"This will give us an opportunity to do a lot of blocks in a straight line which should mean we should get a lot of bang for our buck," mayor Bridget Brown said. "This is a street in grave need of repair and has been for a long time. And it is one of our biggest challenges in storm drainage."

The Council budgeted \$350,000 for the 1998 permanent street project. The East Thompson project is expected to cost around \$447,000.

For the asphalt overlay project they decided on East Jenkins Street, from South Vine Street to South Laura Street; the Sunset addition, Walnut Street, from West 12th to Lincoln streets; and Prather Avenue, from West 12th Street to North College Drive.

When the Council planned the budget, they included \$40,000 for storm water maintenance work.

Members decided since they have to do storm water maintenance on the new permanent street project, they would, if necessary, use some of the money toward that project, city manager David Angerer said.

"It is OK to take some (money), but not all," Angerer said. "We need to mix some of it with permanent street project (money) since we do some storm water on the permanent already."

The Council believes they could use about \$25,000 out of the \$40,000 budgeted. They will not know how much they will have to use until the bid comes back. Then Council members will determine how much they will need, Angerer said.

"After the meeting Monday night, first thing Tuesday morning, they called up the engineer," Angerer said. "The engineer can probably have it designed in four to six weeks."

After the designs are made, they will then put it up to bid for contractors. The Council is expecting this in early to mid-winter.

Brown said choosing which streets need improvement the most is not an easy thing.

"I think that there is not a person on City Council that would not only like to see us do every street right now and therefore it makes it difficult to make these kind of decisions," Brown said. "I am very pleased that we will look at that project, and I am hopeful that by having engineering completed on the entire length of Thompson (Street) we can be much more accurate in how we can complete that project."

Celebration of Quality



University President Dean Hubbard (above) accepts the Missouri Quality Award from Gov. Mel Carnahan at the awards banquet Wednesday night in Jefferson City. Northwest Celebration (right) performs at the awards banquet to support the University.

Chris Galtz/
Contributing Photographer



Awards banquet honors University's journey of excellence

by Jamie Hatz
Editor in Chief

It was a typical awards ceremony until they announced Northwest as the winner of the 1997 Missouri Quality Award for education — then Bearcat spirit filled the banquet room.

Noise makers, Bearcat cheerleaders along with Bobby Bearcat, Northwest Celebration and almost 300 students, administrators, faculty and staff uniquely accepted the award that ended our journey to quality.

"It is a marvelous feeling and enormous sense of pride," University President Dean Hubbard said. "I realize, and everyone else realizes, that this is not an individual award. You don't win this award unless everybody at the institution pulls together."

Northwest's greatest milestone was presented at the Missouri Quality Awards Presentation Banquet Wednesday night in Jefferson City.

The turnout made the event memorable for the University and the students.

"I never want to do something like this without students, because they make the difference out of a deal like this," Hubbard said. "They are the reason we do this."

The award, presented by Gov. Mel Carnahan, recognizes Missouri organizations that achieve excellence.

"I think all of the procedures, guidelines and suggestions involved in the quality movement has a wonderful affect on businesses and government," Carnahan said. "There is a great need for this type of award in the academic field and this is the second University to be recognized."

Quality is familiar to Carnahan and the University.

"There is just a huge amount of activity that goes on on campus in order to get this award," Carnahan said. "I think there will be benefits at Northwest Missouri State University for years to come from the effort that has already been put out, and there will be additional benefits from the new application."

Quality is a vision Hubbard established at Northwest.

"To have a quality institution everybody in the organization has to get up every morning and say what can I do to improve my part in this organization today?" Hubbard said. "That is what continuous quality is all about."

Continuous quality helps Northwest become recognized throughout the state.

"I think that it shows that at Northwest we truly do care about what we are doing and how we go about doing it," said Danny Marsh, president of the Board of Regents. "It is great to have the recognition, but the real winner is not Northwest. I think the real winner is the state of Missouri and the people who chose to come to our school."

The Award process offers a thorough and objective educational opportunity to learn and apply quality.

"The Missouri state award process is one of the premier award processes in the country," said John Jasinski, mass communications department chairman. "I am not biased either. I'd say it is in the top two or three, which means that it holds its organizations up to levels that are very high. It is why top organizations achieve excellence."

Excellence for this award does not happen overnight. Northwest has strived for this award for a long time.

"I saw Dr. Foster, our former president, and I thanked him because we need roots to win awards like this," Jasinski said. "We didn't start five or 10 years ago; people have been here for a long time. They didn't call it quality but they cared about the institution. They cared about the students. It is not about one person — it's about everyone."

Carnahan believes Northwest and the Missouri Quality Award are truly trendsetters.

"Other states are trying to pick up on this, but we are right at the head of the pack," Carnahan said. "We are one of the first to recognize our institution."

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Colden Hall will be finished by December

Building renovations bring new highlights to benefit student, faculty

by Burton Taylor
Missourian Staff

Renovations to Colden Hall are coming to a close with a completion date set for December.

The building will now be equipped with new features to benefit the students and faculty.

Randy Sharp, project manager of CPMI construction company, is in charge of all renovations in Colden Hall.

The renovations were originally supposed to cost about \$6.6 million, but will end up costing approximately \$7.2 million.

"From my understanding, the funds were collected from taxes paid on gambling and lottery proceeds," said Sharp.

The extra \$600,000 came from a grant given to Northwest from the Service Master Custodial Contractors. The other \$150,000 came from the campus budget, but according to Sharp the costs will have no effect on student tuition.

The project started in February of 1996, and in almost two years it has been gutted and equipped with many new highlights.

The first floor of Colden Hall will have computer-intensive classrooms including labs and lecture rooms. It will also have two distance learning rooms where students will be able to join other classes from around the country.

The second floor will consist of 82 faculty offices which will be filled with instructors from all over campus who had been moved from Colden Hall when the building was closed.

The instructors removed from Colden Hall currently have offices in other buildings such as Perrin and Colbert halls. They are scheduled to move back into Colden Hall after the semester break, even though some professors are not looking forward to the move.

"It is really an ordeal to move back. The offices in Perrin Hall are a lot nicer and have more space," English professor Mike Jewett said. "Besides, I enjoy walking around campus to get to my classes."

On the third floor of Colden Hall are 15 new classrooms, one lecture room with a capacity of 120 students and three conference rooms.

"We basically took the building and gutted it, tearing out everything from the ceilings to the concrete floors and then built it back," Sharp said.

One great feature according to Sharp is the old building used to have

only one handicap entrance, and will now be equipped with four, along with a new monumental central staircase to make getting to class a bit quicker.

Aside from having new walls, carpet and paint, CPMI also put in a new heating and cooling system.

The building now has fresh electrical wiring, all asbestos has been removed and an up-to-date sprinkler and fire alarm system was installed.

"We have been on a tight schedule and have had our share of problems," Sharp said. "But working on campus has been great."

Sharp said all of the work has been fairly quiet and done without really interfering with the students too much.

"Colden is like a little island," Sharp said. "You put some fencing around it, and we are totally isolated without getting in the way."

Some guests and alumni during Homecoming thought the building would be completed. Ray Courter, vice president of finance, is more than ready for the completion of the building as well.

"Everything should be up and running for the spring semester," Courter said.

“We basically took the building and gutted it, tearing out everything from the ceilings to the concrete floors and then built it back.”

■ Randy Sharp, project manager of CPMI construction company

Choices that affect the rest of your life

AIDS presentation brings awareness

by Mark Hornickel
Chief Reporter

Students learned the consequences of some choices can change the rest of their lives Tuesday evening.

Joel Goldman and T.J. Sullivan presented "Friendship in the Age of AIDS" in two performances at the Charles Johnson Theater.

The pair wanted to make the audience realize the disease can happen to anyone, but there is also a lot that can be done to fight it.

"I think a lot of college students don't think of this as an issue that affects them," Sullivan said. "It's our generation's Vietnam and we have to fight it."

The presentation began with a video about the AIDS quilt that was recently put on display in Washington, D.C.

Eventually, Sullivan introduced himself and told the story of his early days at college.

He talked of the first day he arrived as a college freshman and how he met Goldman. Sullivan described him as one of the members of the "perky squad," one of the people who try to convince new students to sign up for every organization on the campus.

Goldman was a senior and he had come from a strong family, and he was the president of his fraternity.

The pair became good friends, but something that neither of them expected happened — one became infected with the HIV virus.

Goldman moved to Chicago after college, but he continued to live the same life as he did in college — one that included a mixture of alcohol and promiscuity.

He even took an AIDS test, but it came out negative. Still, it served as a warning.

Goldman later returned to Indiana as the director of chapter services at his fraternity's headquarters. He was promoted twice and he was living a healthy life.

Then, five summers ago, Goldman started feeling sick. He didn't understand; he hadn't been drinking and he had been practicing safe sex. Still, he had the symptoms of HIV and his doctor suggested a blood test.

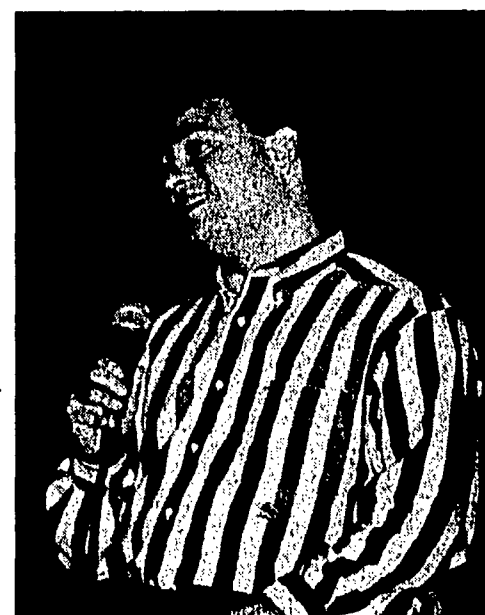
Although the results had previously been negative, it takes three weeks to six months for the antibodies to develop.

When the results came back, Goldman was diagnosed as HIV-positive.

He and his doctor spent the next 90 minutes discussing how to cope and how to fight the disease.

"My life began to spin out of control," Goldman said.

Then he watched the movie "Wall Street." Goldman said the main character's life was crashing down much like his was, and there was a part in the movie that put it in perspective for him.



Tim Kay/Chief Photographer
Joel Goldman speaks about his experiences with AIDS Tuesday night at the Charles Johnson Theater.

"That to me was, you get put in a bad situation," Goldman said. "You're facing the worst thing you could possibly face in your life and who you are depends on how you deal with it."

Goldman decided he could deal with the virus by teaching others about it.

First of all, he needed to call his family, co-workers, fraternity brothers and friends.

Goldman said he also tried to get

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Our View

OF THE UNIVERSITY

'Cats expect support for last home stand

The Northwest football team needs fans and needs them now.

Even with the pathetic crowd showing Saturday against Central Missouri State University, the team played a great game. But if the crowd support had been there, who knows what the game could have been like.

The Bearcats are rated No. 4 in the nation. Yet by the looks of the crowd, we looked like we weren't even ranked in Division II.

What is going on? We would understand if it was the week after Homecoming, or if we had a terrible team, but neither of those are true.

You, the fans, especially the students, will have a chance to redeem yourselves Saturday when the 'Cats take the home field against bitter rival Truman State University in the Hickory Stick game.

This will be the final regular season game for 11 seniors. Many of them played on the 1994 team which suffered an 0-11 mark.

Wouldn't it be a great touch for the players to go out with a perfect mark season? Well, it can only happen if they get the crowd support they deserve.

Some of the players were thinking on the sidelines last Saturday, "Didn't

we beat Pitt State the week before?" It looked to them as though they had lost the week before and had nothing to play for.

So wear layers of clothing if you think it's too cold or bring your umbrellas if you think it might rain; because true fans show up rain or shine.

The 'Cats have earned the right to expect fans to show up and watch them dismantle opponents. Now, they need students to show their support.

Why not paint your bodies green and white for the contest to show your true school colors?

Defensive coordinator Scott Bostwick said "We need the fans to come out in their green and make some noise."

The 'Cats need bizarre fans. Heck, the Bearcats just need fans. There is no need for the stands to be empty when you have a great product on the field.

The students disgraced the team last week, and this is your chance to make it up to them.

The Bearcats need to start filling the seats. So when the postseason comes a calling, the NCAA may not reward the home field to the 'Cats because Northwest will not make the NCAA enough money.

My Turn

Take advantage of time while you still have it



Nicole Fuller

Most people never think about death until it happens to someone they know or someone close to them.

I didn't realize how it could make a person analyze life. I was scared that someone very dear to me could just leave me at any moment.

The strangest thing happened to me just about two weeks ago.

One night at Wells Hall, two friends and myself were working on homework around midnight. The three of us started talking about people who have died in our family, and how many grandparents we had that were still alive.

When I said I had all four of them still with me, it dawned on me that I had not experienced a death of a grandparent.

I had only gone through the death of my great grandma while I was in elementary school. I was really close to her, so it made it hard to see her pass on. It made me very sad, but I had yet to experience the death of anyone in my immediate family.

I didn't really think anything else of the conversation we had until two weeks later when I got a phone call. It was from my best friend and she told me I needed to call home right away.

This made me nervous, and I asked her why. She just kept telling me to call home. I yelled at her and asked her why. She then proceeded to tell me that my grandpa had died. The only problem was that she forgot to tell me which grandpa.

I broke down in tears. I had a horrible time dialing my phone number at home. My dad answered the phone, and I asked him if there was something he needed to tell me.

He then told me that my Grandpa

Darmond, his father, had died. I took a deep breath. He asked me what was wrong and I told him I didn't know which grandpa it was. When I here grandpa I think of my Grandpa Max, because I usually just call him grandpa and the other one Grandpa Darmond.

The strangest thing about my Grandpa Darmond's death is that I am sad, but not in the mourning sense. I am more sad because I really did not know the man that I called grandpa. He was never around in my life when I was growing up. I think the hardest part of the funeral was knowing that I could never change anything because he was no longer there.

I also realized how hard it will be on me when my Grandpa Max does pass away, because he is very dear to me and I love him.

Another thing that crossed my mind about dying is the fact that I am two hours away from home. If something were to happen to my grandparents or my parents, I wouldn't be able to be there. I would lose the opportunity to say good-bye or see them again before they passed on. It would be the hardest thing to face.

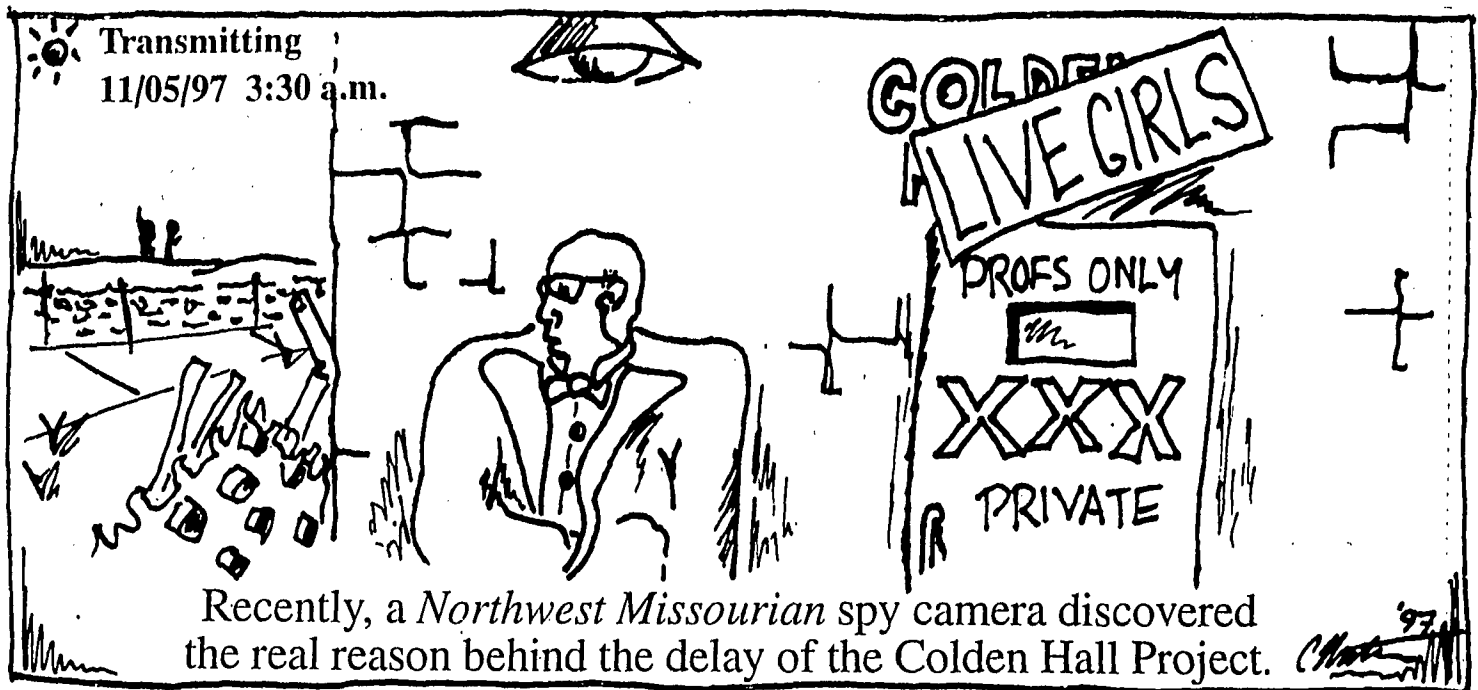
One thing that I do not fear is dying. Everyone is going to die and if it is my time, then it is my time to die. You cannot predict how long of a life one will live.

I did not spend a lot of my life knowing my Grandpa Darmond. I hope I can utilize every chance I have to talk to and visit with my grandparents. I will never know if I will get the chance to see them again, being away at college.

Sometimes in life one must stop and appreciate what they have and not just look to what they don't have.

If I would look to what I don't have I would be no where in life. I look to the love that both my parents and grandparents give me.

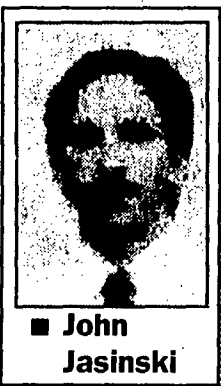
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Recently, a Northwest Missourian spy camera discovered the real reason behind the delay of the Colden Hall Project.

University View

Why Northwest won the Quality Award



John Jasinski

University, community contribute to historic event

The Missouri Quality Award is a representative of a high performing organization at a variety of levels. Northwest has so many positives, and there are so many reasons we won the Missouri Quality Award.

Here are a few:

- The best students around.
- Environmental Service workers making this the most beautiful campus around.
- Horace Mann teachers giving their all for our children.
- Bobby Bearcat being Bobby Bearcat.

- The Alumni House and its warm, friendly people.
- Admissions folks — they pump out the work.

- Coach Tjeerdma and staff molding a team into greatness.
- The Ag farm, Scott and Alex.
- Academic technology.
- Orange construction fences meaning aggressive progress in our infrastructure.

- General education faculty caring deeply about what they do.
- Student Ambassadors.

- Marla in mass communication — always putting forth the extra effort.
- Wanda Auffert and company — always ahead of us on bid purchases.
- Computer Services — so many requests for little time.

- Ray Courter and his unbelievable tenacity on projects.
- The Faculty Senate and Support Staff Council — these people care.

- Our regional partnerships.
- John Nielsen and folks — too many electrical projects.
- University web sites.
- Cross country and tennis excellence.

- Del Morley and company — student financial assistance — ever a quiet time?
- Marolyn Alloway — computer program supreme.
- Green Tower Press.
- Custodians who work behind the scenes to make our workplace healthy and attractive.

- Super majors and minors, academic departments, chairs and deans.
- The Noontime Basketball Association — hey these players have to be mentioned somewhere.
- Registrar's office — somebody has to keep track of student progress.

- ARAMARK — great food by great people.
- Larry Cady and the transportation folks — wouldn't you like to drive a Bearcat Bus?
- An excellent library.
- Coach Tappmeyer yanking his coat off 30 seconds into a 11 jug department chair.

- Ron Heller delivering anything — man, what a workhorse.
- The staff within payroll, encumbrance, etc. — hey we all need the money.
- CAPS events.
- The rec center.
- Student Services Center — what did we do without it?
- All of our student organizations — time and effort worthwhile.
- The town of Maryville — an excellent home base.
- Our retired faculty and staff — they set the building blocks.
- An excellent provost — thanks Tim.
- President Hubbard's constancy of purpose.
- My wife and kids — support, support, support.

All those not mentioned — you all make Northwest special.

The Missouri Quality Award would not be possible without the perseverance of everyone in the Northwest family. The individuals, offices, activities and buildings listed above are some of those I come in contact with on a regular basis. My salute goes to everyone — thank you for contributing to a truly historic institutional event.

My Turn

Need for reassurance comes back around



Jacob DiPietro

Mom continues support, comfort

I will always remember my first day of kindergarten. I was, at that point, an only child and always played with either the children in the neighborhood or my mom. I had no experience with being away from my mother or kids I didn't know — I was a mama's boy.

Well, needless to say the night before my first day of school, I couldn't sleep.

I was worried and intimidated about the next day's events. I remember crawling out of my bed, going into my parent's room and telling my mother I couldn't sleep because I had a bad dream.

It was a complete lie — but she didn't get mad or send me back to bed or give a few words of reassurance that it was just a dream.

Instead, she got up with me. We went downstairs and she explained all the fun I was going to have the next day.

I remember looking in her eyes and feeling completely at peace. She has a knack for reassuring me no matter how uncertain I feel. I calmed down and she spread a comforter on the living room floor and slept next to me.

The next day, I was nervous. So nervous, I didn't let my mom leave for most of the day. But after a while, I looked in her eyes and thought I could let her go.

Fast forward 12 years. My mom and I were traveling U.S. 71 to start my college career.

I was not nervous, and I didn't have trouble sleeping the night

before. I didn't need my mom to stay the day with me like before. In fact, part of me wanted her to leave.

But I realized it was my turn to calm and reassure her. For the first time, I was starting something new and I didn't need my mother to guide me through it. The roles were somewhat changed. I found myself comforting her. I told her I would be fine, it would be fun and I would make new friends.

Even to this day, halfway through my second year of college, I still wonder how my mom is feeling. Her eyes still comfort me, but now I know that I can do the same for her.

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Student gives thanks

Dear Editor,

Sometimes we get caught up in recognizing only the bad parts of our community. I would like everyone to know that there are good people, especially in Maryville.

Last Wednesday, the house I share with two roommates suffered a fire. The house has little damage and ev-

everyone is safe. The support I have received from neighbors and friends has been tremendous.

First, I would like to thank the Red Cross for all of their help. Two girls who live next door, were there to lend me their phone and support. The neighbors across the street were also wonderful.

I had not yet met them, but they were great. Everyone was quick to

offer help. I would like to thank the guys of South Newton Street for allowing me to crash on their couch and for putting up with me.

Also a big thanks to my friend Chad for all of his support. Most of all, I would like to thank the fire fighters. They responded quickly and did a fabulous job of controlling the fire.

Thank you to everyone.

Cat Eldridge

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It's Your Turn

Why is the Citywide cleanup beneficial?



"It gives Maryville a more pleasant appearance and atmosphere."

Derek Berdine, Hy-Vee Sub Shop



"It helps people clean out their garage, so they can put their cars in them for the winter."

Dave Sears, contractor



"It promotes everyone to keep the city clean. When Maryville is clean it attracts people."

John McClurg, Sprint worker



"If Maryville is clean it helps attract new people and keeps us healthy."

Lisa Hatch, Northwest student



"It helps so people don't have to look at everyone's trash."

Laura Giese, home school student



"It beautifies the town and makes visitors want to come back."

Alicia Tobin, Wal-Mart greeter



photo courtesy of Kurt Haberyan

Kurt Haberyan and University of Tennessee faculty and students studied 27 different lakes throughout Costa Rica. Haberyan spent close to a month during June and July in the country. The research enabled him to bring back real-life examples to the classroom.

Professor conducts research abroad

by Stephanie Zellstra
Assistant News Editor

Most teachers would not be found traipsing through Costa Rica, avoiding poisonous snakes and working for *National Geographic* during their summers, but a Northwest professor did just that.

Kurt Haberyan, professor of biological sciences, spent a month during the summer in Costa Rica traveling the untamed countryside in search of lakes, some of which had never been seen before.

"The lakes are so inaccessible," Haberyan said. "You feel that you are blazing trails. You almost feel like Indiana Jones chopping through the swamp to get to this one particular lake. You wonder why you do it, but it all works out. It's just a matter of dedication and stamina to get the job done. It is very rewarding."

National Geographic funded the three year study that focused on climatic changes and their effects on the environment, especially to animals and the earth. The University of Tennessee also participated in the trip.

Students will benefit from the research trip from real-life examples and

slides. However, the trip has taken a different meaning for Haberyan.

"The trip had a very indirect effect also," he said. "That is the stimulation

"It is so challenging in the field to deal with the foreign culture, locating the lakes and trying to do some solid science in under-developed conditions."

Kurt Haberyan,
University Biology professor

of thinking, processing data and remembering what it is like to be a scientist again. Personally, it keeps me alive and stimulated in the lectures and it does provide some examples for the classroom."

Haberyan said that most professors keep up with their field by reading the latest information and research in journals and studies that have been done.

He is also happy with the response from the students because many have asked several questions. The research shows the students that there is more to science than just the books.

Some of the examples he will be able to use are on the ecosystems found in the 27 lakes the team studied.

The group scanned the countryside using field maps from the 1950s, with some degree of success, and didn't en-

counter many life-threatening occurrences. They found that some of the lakes that were on the maps were no longer there for several different reasons.

"It is so challenging in the field to deal with the different food, the foreign land and culture," Haberyan said. "The roads were also a problem, locating the lakes and getting frustrated and trying to do some real solid science in under-developed conditions is challenging."

It was also very challenging for the scientists to conduct concrete research and deal with the cultural differences, especially in communication.

"The Costa Ricans were very friendly and helpful," Haberyan said. "In one case, a man showed us a lake that they didn't know existed."

Some of the more difficult and rigorous challenges the group faced was climbing a steep volcano with 30-pound backpacks in the pouring rain. The group also had to worry about 12 types of poisonous snakes.

The research was conducted during Costa Rica's wet season. Haberyan hopes to return during the dry season sometime in January or March if it is possible.

The research that the team collected included samples from the lakes and dirt deposits to test them. The research that will be conducted over the next several years will study the effects of globalization.

In Brief

Theater production opens next week

The comedy play "Arsenic and Old Lace" opens at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 13, and runs through Sunday, Nov. 16, at the Mary Linn Performing Arts Center. The Sunday performance will be at 2 p.m. The play is directed by Charles Schultz.

Tickets are \$4 for students and faculty, \$5 for non-University students and \$6 for adults. They are available at the Student Services Center.

University conducts property auction

The University will be having a surplus property sale at 9 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 11, at the Northwest Support Service Building warehouse.

Items included in the sale are chairs, computer and office equipment, fluorescent light fixtures and bulbs, staging steps, platform risers, acoustical wall partitions, wooden shutters, carpet, bus seats, partial wrestling mats and vehicles.

There will be inspection times from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 10, and from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 11.

Chemistry teacher joins department

Before the fall semester, Rafiqul Islam joined the chemistry department as a new assistant professor. He teaches biochemistry and organic chemistry courses.

Islam researched in biochemistry and organic chemistry at St. Louis University for two years before joining Northwest's faculty.

He is originally from Bangladesh. Islam obtained a doctorate in biochemistry in 1991 at Kyushu University in Japan.

Conference shares financial solutions

Northwest, in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Education, will present a live, interactive teleconference from 7 to 7:45 p.m. on Nov. 10 called Financial Aid Night.

Northwest parents and students will have the opportunity to ask U.S. Secretary of Education Richard Riley questions concerning financial aid for college.

Financial aid experts will take phone calls during the program and answer questions sent by fax. There is no charge to attend the event and it is sponsored by the Northwest office of Financial Aid.

Planning Ahead

Thursday, Nov. 6

■ CLEP, GED and MAT tests, 8 a.m., Wells Hall

■ Lab Series, 7:30 p.m., Charles Johnson Theater

Friday, Nov. 7

■ CLEP, GED and MAT tests, 8 a.m., Wells Hall

■ Lab Series, 7:30 p.m., CJT

Saturday, Nov. 8

■ Bearcat football vs. Truman State, 1 p.m., Rickenbrode Stadium

■ PRAXIS testing, 7:30 a.m., Garrett-Strong

■ Women's Cross Country, Great Lakes Regional meet, Kenosha, Wis.

■ Men's Cross Country, Great Lakes Regional meet, Kenosha, Wis.

Monday, Nov. 10

■ Women's Basketball, Nebraska Sports All-Stars, 7:30 p.m., Bearcat Arena

■ Delta Zeta executive board, 7 p.m., Chapter Room

Tuesday, Nov. 11

■ Veteran's Day

■ Brahms Piano Student Recital

■ Sigma Kappa informal meeting, 5 p.m.

■ Delta Zeta meeting, 4:30 p.m., Valk 117

Wednesday, Nov. 12

■ Delta Zeta new member meeting, 4:30 p.m., Garrett-Strong 219

Basketball season begins next week

As the fall sports season is drawing to a close, basketball season is coming into focus.

The women's team will play an exhibition against the Nebraska Sports All-Stars at 7:30 p.m. Nov. 10 in Bearcat Arena. The women's first regular season games will be Nov. 14-15 at the William Jewell Tournament in Liberty.

The men's squad will take on the Benedictine College men to open their season Nov. 14 at Bearcat Arena. See next week's *Missourian* for a preview of the winter sports season.



■ Biology Instructor spends part of summer studying lakes in Costa Rica

Alcohol tops Greek forum

by Stacy Young
Missourian Staff

Improving Greek life was the purpose of the All-Greek open forum and making it a non-alcoholic Greek life was among the topics of discussion last Thursday at the Northwest Conference Center.

The forum was directed by Mark Koepsell, St. Louis University's Greek life director, who gave members of Northwest's Greek organizations a chance to discuss the Select 2000 proposal.

Select 2000 is a program that some national fraternities are signing, saying they will strive for an alcohol-free environment.

"It's more than just a dry environment," said Jube Schley, secretary of Delta Sigma Phi fraternity. "2000 is about building the entire Greek system and making everyone a better person."

The dry housing policy that many college campuses have already adopted was the first topic. Alcohol

would be forbidden at all Greek houses, which could result in chapter elimination from campus if violated.

"It's not so much Northwest demanding dry housing, but it's Greek nationals," said Bryan Vanosdale, director of campus activities. "This is what they are evolving to. It's like the domino effect — they hit one house and the rest will follow."

During his presentation, Koepsell announced that as of Jan. 1, Iowa State University will be a dry campus and housing university. It was a decision made by ISU's Panhellenic and Inter-Fraternity Council.

He also presented statistics revealing that 86 percent of men at fraternity houses are binge drinkers. The recent tragedies of alcohol-related deaths among college students at Massachusetts Institute of Technology and Louisiana State University have been two catalysts for the Greek nationals' changes.

"Alcohol is not an evil thing," Koepsell said. "It's when we don't

respect it (that) it causes problems."

Some Northwest fraternity members did express concern that new member numbers might decline in the future with a dry housing policy.

"Substance-free housing might initially hurt Rush numbers," IFC president Kelly Ferguson said. "It's sad that alcohol seems so important."

To balance the problem, Koepsell encouraged fraternity members to focus more on recruiting the members they want to be a part of their brotherhood.

This is a practice Greeks do at SLU, and although it took some extra work, he said, Rush numbers there haven't suffered.

"Alcohol shouldn't be a focus during Rush," Vanosdale said. "It should be focused on things like brotherhood, academics, morals and philanthropic accomplishments."

Although Select 2000 hasn't officially affected Northwest, it could be on its way. Other colleges across the country are also considering this proposal.

Friendship

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in touch with anyone he had a sexual relationship with.

He succeeded in reaching seven people, one of whom had two children. Each of them were tested immediately and all the tests came back negative.

Sullivan received the phone call from his friend on a Friday afternoon, just as he was preparing to leave work — he was speechless.

"I just froze," Sullivan said. "I didn't say anything, and I just had to get the hell off the phone."

Sullivan told his friend he would call him that weekend, and he hung up the phone in his office just before breaking down. Sullivan never called Goldman that weekend.

The presentation continued with

a video showing college students' perspective of mixing alcohol with sex.

"Mixing alcohol with sex is dangerous," Sullivan said. "We're at the age now where we can put positive peer pressure on our friends to develop good behaviors that really save them down the line."

After the video, the duo went into a series, in which they gave out facts on AIDS, the four stages of drinking and how to prevent the AIDS virus.

Sullivan said 80 percent of the people infected with the AIDS virus are heterosexuals and 48 percent are women.

"It's not just a gay thing," Sullivan said. "It's an everybody thing."

The two began traveling in 1993. In the past four years, the pair have seen more than 350,000 students on almost 400 campuses.

Julie Norlen, vice president of pro-

gramming in Panhellenic Council, said an estimated 700 students and community members attended the event.

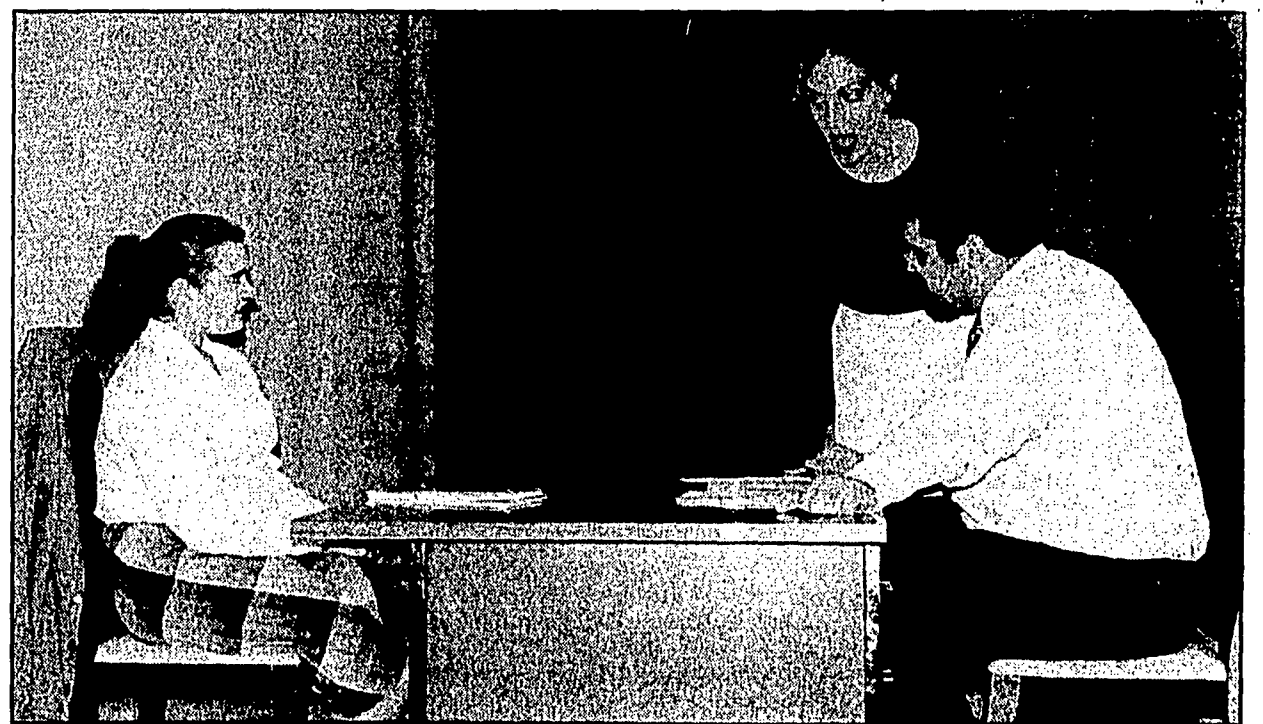
The program was based on Goldman's experiences as a fraternity member at Indiana University with drinking and sex. The program displayed the risks he took using comedy.

Goldman made a point that the AIDS virus is not like any other disease.

"It's not like heart disease," Goldman said. "It's something I got because of the choices I made."

Students can be tested for AIDS year-round at the Student Health Center for \$5.

The online version of the *Missourian* features audio bytes of Goldman and Sullivan and can be accessed at <http://www.nwmissouri.edu/missourian/>.



John Petrovic/Contributing Photographer

Stacy Sanchell, Mary-Tina Vrehas and Jon Hickerson produced play that will be performed tonight and do a final run-through of "The Lesson," a student Friday in conjunction with the play "Olianna."

Seniors direct theater Lab Series

One-act shows offer students experience on both sides of stage

by Mark Hornickel
Chief Reporter

The hard work and dedication of two senior theater students will help determine the success of a two-play Lab Series performance at 7:30 p.m. Thursday and Friday in the Charles Johnson Theater.

The student directors will present two different one-act plays, "The Lesson," directed by Jerry Nevins, government/theater/philosophy major, and "Olianna," directed by theater major Jennifer Farris.

"The Lesson" concerns the interaction between students and faculty, concerning the use of language.

"It's a power struggle on who controls the language," Nevins said. "It is sort of an exaggeration of a normal

situation, but it is something students and faculty can relate to."

Following an intermission, "Olianna" will be presented. The second act will also center around language using a university setting between a teacher and a student.

"It's about the powers of language in a relationship," Farris said. "There's a curse with modern language. People can take things out of context."

"Olianna" will be the longer of the two, lasting 90 minutes. The Lab Series is a chance for students to produce a play from beginning to end without the faculty's help, although "Olianna" will feature philosophy professor Jim Eiswert, as an actor.

"When the students participate in large productions, they are bonded to follow the director's guide," theater professor Charles Schultz said. "In a Lab Series, the students have the freedom to portray their specific interests."

Farris believes it is a great experience to take part in a Lab Series production.

"It's wonderful," Farris said. "It's challenging too, it's one of the best things I've done here at Northwest. The actors are magnificent and we've developed an irreplaceable bond."

Nevins has previously appeared in "The Mystery of Edwin Drood," and the Homecoming Variety Show, as an emcee, but this is his first directing experience.

This will be Farris' second time as a director. Last spring she directed "For Whom the Southern Bell Tolls," and she hopes to direct after graduating from Northwest.

Farris said both acting and directing are equally challenging, but there is a difference between the two.

"It depends on the way you look at it," Farris said. "I get pleasure from watching my show get put on and (the actors) get pleasure from making it happen."

Missourian receives top honor

Media association awards college paper as top 1 percent in nation

by JP Farris

Chief Reporter

The Northwest Missourian won the most prestigious award for college newspapers at the College Media Association Convention Nov. 1 in Chicago.

For the first time, the Missourian received a Pacemaker, an award given to the collegiate publications in the top 1 percent by the Associate Collegiate Press and the Newspaper Association of America Foundation.

Tom Rolnicki, executive director of the ACP, said it was "the college equivalent of a Pulitzer Prize."

In the past, the Missourian has been a finalist but has never won. Lonelle Rathje, editor in chief of the Pacemaker award-winning publication, said the type of people who worked on this newspaper were dif-

ferent from past staffs.

"I think it is a positive reflection of the talent we have in the mass communication department," she said. "The kind of journalist you see now is a new breed of journalist. They care deeply about what they're covering and getting it right."

Rathje believed the real turning point was when the Missourian began covering the community.

"We gained credibility through our coverage," she said. "When we went citywide in 1995, we really had a lot of people in the community rooting for us."

Reporting community news along with the campus was integral to the development of the publication.

"I think that covering the community makes it a strong paper," said Laura Widmer, student publications adviser. "We had solid coverage and good writing (on last year's paper). The photography was also very strong, especially in sports."

The Missourian competed against

nondaily college papers in the nation.

Four of the 10 Pacemaker winners are from Missouri. Missouri Southern State College, St. Louis University and Truman State University all received the honor with Northwest.

"The state of Missouri has always had solid programs," Widmer said. "Southern and St. Louis have always been strong, and Truman is up and coming."

Other Missouri schools, like the University of Missouri-Columbia, known nationwide as a top-ranked journalism school, were not selected.

The 1996 Tower yearbook Contemporary Traditions was awarded a Gold Crown by the Columbia Scholastic Press Association, as one of the top four yearbooks in the nation.

Tower was also nominated for a Pacemaker at the CMA convention but was not chosen. The 1997 yearbook Stages will be judged in January for a Gold Crown Award.

"Different judges took different things into consideration," Widmer

said. "You never know what judges are looking for."

In the past, Tower has won six Pacemakers and has been a finalist 10 times.

Widmer said she thought Contemporary Traditions, the first public university yearbook in the country to have a CD-ROM yearbook included, was better than other Pacemakers.

"I thought the 1996 Tower was one of the two strongest books that we've ever done, the 1989 being the other," Widmer said. "I was very disappointed that we didn't win."

The other student publication, Heartland View, was not a Pacemaker finalist, but did receive an All-American award with five marks of distinction, putting them in the top 3 percent of all magazines.

"The fact that the newspaper is in the top 1 percent, the yearbook is in the top 2 percent and Heartland is in the top 3 percent, speaks highly of the hard work and dedication of our students," Widmer said.



Erica Smith, Missourian advertising director, accepts the Pacemaker award from Annie Witta Christman, ACP associate director, Nov. 1 in Chicago. The award was presented in conjunction with the 76th annual National College Media convention. The Pacemaker places the Missourian among the top 10 nondaily collegiate newspapers in the nation.

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File photo

Soccer tries to join varsity ranks

by Kevin Schultz

Chief Reporter

Soccer has never been a part of the varsity sports program at Northwest, and so far the only soccer played around campus has been in the form of club play.

The possibilities of soccer becoming a women's varsity sport moved in the right direction last Thursday when five officers, elected to represent the soccer team, presented their case to become a varsity team to athletic director Jim Redd.

"The officers of the club team did a great job of presenting their side," Redd said. "I was impressed with their organization; they made some very strong points."

Redd said there is much more than meets the eye when adding another varsity sport.

"Many think that you can just add a sport, but so much has to be considered," Redd said. "Transportation, funding, uniforms, coaches and off-season, workout facilities all have to be considered."

A big consideration Redd has to look at is where the funding for a new sport would come from.

He has the option of asking for and trying to raise more money or taking a little bit away from existing sports.

"Funding is something that will play a big role," Redd said. "And the group has looked at different possibilities."

This was the first year for a soccer club at Northwest. The women played against other clubs and varsity teams.

"We had a great season," said Jessica Courtney, president of the soccer club. "We worked very hard

and played well against other clubs and varsity teams."

A great season is one reason why the women want to become a varsity team as soon as possible. They also believe recruitment will be easier after this past season.

For now, the issue has been put on the back burner until after the football season.

"We will hold off on any further decisions until after football," Redd said. "This way we can give the issue the attention that it needs."

Redd also said that at this point it is unlikely that soccer will become a varsity sport next year, even if the proposal is successful.

A transition period is needed for the team, so one more club season is expected by the team. However, the club members are excited about what their future holds.

False alarms cause concern

by Mark Hornickel

Chief Reporter

Phillips Hall has had to deal with 10 false fire alarms since Sept. 4, including a string of seven in eight days.

Most of the alarms have occurred on the third floor and none on the female floors of the hall. Two fire alarms were set off by smoke bombs.

Residential Life is working on ways to prevent false alarms. It is looking into purchasing covers to go over the pull stations to deter false alarms.

Other possibilities of prevention include the use of surveillance cameras and pull stations equipped with a pre-alarm that would sound when someone tampered with the alarm.

"There are advantages and disadvantages to each of these options, but something will be put into place in Phillips as soon as possible to reduce the number of false alarms currently being experienced," said Betty Dye, Residential Life coordinator.

Resident hall staff members have varied the rounds they conduct during the evenings, and the Residential Life Security Patrol will make additional rounds during early morning hours.

Dye said high rises may experience an average of three to four false alarms a semester, but the activity at Phillips Hall has set a new precedent.

"This situation in Phillips is highly unusual," Dye said. "We've had hot spots before, but this is over the top."

Residents are becoming increasingly angry, but Dye guarantees the person will be caught.

"We just ask that the students be patient," Dye said. "They need to keep their eyes and ears open and stay in touch with their community just like they would in a house or an apartment."

Anyone caught pulling a false alarm will appear in front of the campus judicial court. Sanctions will then be taken.

In this case, the offense would be classified as a class B misdemeanor. Dye said the Residential Life staff has had a couple leads but nothing concrete.

"Some students seem to think they have an idea," Dye said. "We don't have anything hot enough to apprehend anyone."

Dye said false alarms will definitely become a topic of discussion as South Complex is renovated.

Groups sponsor University talent show

Student organizations showcase abilities during first time presentation

by Nathaniel Hanway

Missourian Staff

Northwest students will have a chance to show off to the community at 7 p.m. Friday at the Baptist Student Union.

The Alliance of Black Collegians and the Baptist Student Union will be sponsoring the student-filled talent show.

The main purpose of the show is to raise funds for ABC and provide a chance for the organizations to work together.

"The two organizations feel that Northwest has a lot of talent," said Yvonne Kweh, fund-raising chairwoman for ABC. "We just want to be able to expose the students' tal-

ents, and in the same sense to raise money for our organization."

This will be a new experience for the both organizations. They have not previously worked together.

"This is going to be the first time that we have tried something like this," Kweh said. "We hope to get more publicity in the community and reach more of the students."

The BSU, however, is not using this event to raise money.

"We do not use fund-raisers," BSU director Darrien King said. "We have been doing coffee houses and ABC approached us with this. We felt that it would be a good opportunity to help out the ABC."

The show will be free to the public, but participants pay an entry fee.

"We are hoping for about 15 skits," Kweh said. "We will also supply the winners and the contestants with prizes."

The prizes range from a boombox from Circuit City, a guest appearance on the show "Maryville Tonight with Chris Stigall" to gift certificates from Movie Magic and Country Kitchen.

ARAMARK will also present each of the contestants with a coupon for a free medium pizza.

"We are asking for solo acts, duets, bands, dramatic readings, dance and poetry," Kweh said. "We will accept any type of entertainment."

Telling stories has become senior Scott Johnson's chance to be seen by the students at the show and prove that blind people can also adapt and overcome.

"I plan on telling a few jokes. I am a storyteller so I'll tell a few stories," Johnson said. "I believe this is a great idea because there are a lot of students with talents."

Kweh said judging for the show is still in the works.

Northwest forensics team comes to life in competition

by Jason Kilndt

Missourian Staff

Mention the word "forensics" and everyone wants to know who died. What they should be asking is, "What did they win this time?"

Forensics is a competition where students present pieces of text orally against other students, a lot like giving a speech, but more involved.

The forensics season lasts from September through mid-April. There are invites in the fall where students give their presentation in front of a panel of judges.

There are individual awards as well as team awards. The goal of these invites is not only to get better, but also to qualify for nationals.

To qualify you must finish in the top three at three different recognized

tournaments," said Bill Cue, director of forensics. "It is really kind of difficult when there are 60 to 70 other competitors. To be in the top three is a real challenge."

While the team competition is divided into groups according to size, the students compete against the entire field when qualifying for nationals, making it even tougher to qualify.

"Most of the time we are competing with schools who have five times our operating budget," Cue said.

Still, with all that is going against them, Angela McMahon, vice president of the team, and Justin Burton have come close to qualifying for nationals.

Last year Northwest finished fifth at the national tournament in Division II.

In order to compete, the forensics

team recruits incoming freshmen. Those students who show an interest in forensics receive direct-mailing both before and after they choose to attend Northwest.

"The success of one year helps the recruiting for the next year," Cue said. "We had excellent recruiting year this (past) year."

Sixteen of the 22 members are new to the program this year. That makes the leadership of the veterans that much more important.

"Morale is good, they are new and excited," McMahon said.

Forensics is allowed very little scholarship money, so the students do this more for love and the potential benefits after college.

"A lot of people say they have communication skills, but I have proof of it," McMahon said.

Cue, who is now in his second year, acts as both a cheerleader and coach for the students. He puts in long hours for each of the students competing and helps them develop their pieces into winners.

"Bill brings a lot of knowledge and background to the team," said McMahon.

Cue, however, gives credit to everyone from the provost to the dean and mostly the students.

"The final credit is with the students," Cue said. "They give up the weekends and are up in the late hours of the night. It is a huge effort with a huge payoff."

The payoff for Northwest has been tremendous so far. In four tournaments, many students have finished in the top five. In the Truman State tournament the team placed second.

Quality

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tutions and I feel this is totally appropriate. I have been committed to quality approach ever since. I have been in government."

Missouri Quality Award applicants receive a feedback report providing valuable guidance and information on their organization's activities.

"We can make make fantastic improvements because you take the feedback report and use those items of both strengths and areas of improvement," said Ron DeYoung,

dean of professional and applied studies. "It will be a good base mark to project what you want to do over the next few years to improve."

Improvement is a constant and the University will constantly see quality as a journey, not a destination but the award proves one thing.

"I appreciate the fact that students are a big part of planning at Northwest and we do have some input and control in our education," Student Regent Marisa Sanchez said. "You don't know of any other institutions who do that for students. Quality is catching on more and more in the daily life of students."

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Hunting season opens

by Russ Wetzel
Missourian Staff

Camouflage and hunter orange are coming back into fashion as the hunting season gets underway.

The quail and pheasant hunting season officially opened Nov. 1, and firearm deer season will begin Nov. 15 in Nodaway County.

Ed Higdon, Missouri conservation agent, said the outlook looks promising.

"It will be a similar year to last year as far as the number of birds available," Higdon said. "And there will be no major changes in the rules."

However, there have been some changes made in this year's duck season, which runs from Oct. 23 through Dec. 21.

"The season is 60 days longer," Higdon said. "The daily limit has been raised to six ducks, with some limitations on the species."

Higdon said there are also several major changes for this year's firearm

deer season, which runs until Nov. 25.

In the past, hunters had to apply for a permit to hunt deer in the state.

This year, hunters can simply purchase a permit at any of several area permit distributors.

"We have completely changed the license system this year," Higdon said. "People seem a lot happier with the new system."

Higdon expects the number of deer to meet or exceed the number taken last year and much of it depends on the weather.

"If we have a wet, nasty weekend for the opener, then that will reduce the take," Higdon said. "Over 50 percent of the deer are taken over the first weekend."

Higdon said Missouri's deer population has been on the rise over the past few years.

"We are seeing a slow increase in the deer population in our area," he said. "We use that information to determine how many permits to make available for next year."

The season for archery deer and turkey opened Oct. 1 and runs until Jan. 1.

Higdon said this is a popular season for many hunters as well.

"We are somewhere in the neighborhood of having checked 50 deer in the county already," he said.

Higdon said the early harvest this year will also play a significant role in the season.

"It opens the deer up to visibility to hunters a lot more," he said. "The less crop that is out there, the less places they have to hide."

The cost of purchasing a resident firearm deer permit in Missouri is \$11. The cost of a non-resident permit is \$110.

The cost of a resident small game permit is \$9.

Additional permits and further information on laws and additional requirements can be obtained locally.

Area permit distributors include Wal-Mart, Watkins Hardware, Orscheln's, Hy-Vee, Shop & Hop and Walter Brothers.

Preparing for the hunt

Late fall is prime hunting time in the Midwest. Here are some tips and important dates for hunters to remember.

Getting a license

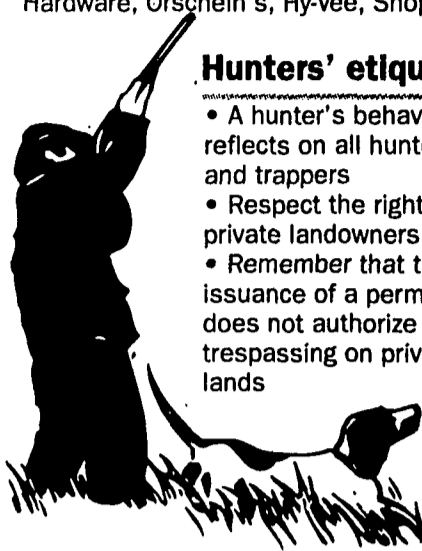
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Hunters' etiquette

- A hunter's behavior reflects on all hunters and trappers
- Respect the rights of private landowners
- Remember that the issuance of a permit does not authorize trespassing on private lands

Hunting dates

- Oct. 1 - Jan. 15 - Archery deer and turkey season
- Oct. 23 - Dec. 21 - Duck season
- Nov. 1 - Jan. 15 - Pheasant and gray partridge season (north zone)
- Nov. 1 - Jan. 15 - Quail season
- Nov. 15-25 - Modern firearms deer season



Staying safe

- Keep the muzzle of your firearm pointed in a safe direction.
- Treat every firearm as though it were loaded.
- Don't drink while you hunt. In Missouri it's illegal to discharge a weapon while intoxicated.
- Store firearms and ammunition separately.
- Never shoot at a flat, hard surface or water.
- Never climb or jump an obstacle with a loaded firearm.
- Be sure of your target before you pull the trigger.
- If you hit a deer with your vehicle, do not approach the wounded animal. A injured deer can still be dangerous.

source: Missouri Department of Conservation
Colleen Cooke/Editorial Assistant

Band marches to recognition

■ Spoofhound group garners awards, progresses through performance season

by Kevin Schultz
Chief Reporter

The marching band is another program at Maryville High School competing at the top.

The Spoofhounds have made this a year of award-winning performances in several events and in several different ways.

The band finished the year placing first at the Loess Hills Marching Festival in Glenwood, Iowa.

The competition in Glenwood turned out to be the best of the year for the 'Hounds, improving on a third-place finish at the Southwest Iowa Band Jamboree and a fifth-place finish at a competition in Carrollton, in early September.

As the year progresses a lot of advancement is expected and has been made," said band director Dennis Dau. "It's a goal of ours to improve as we move along and it's an educational goal as well."

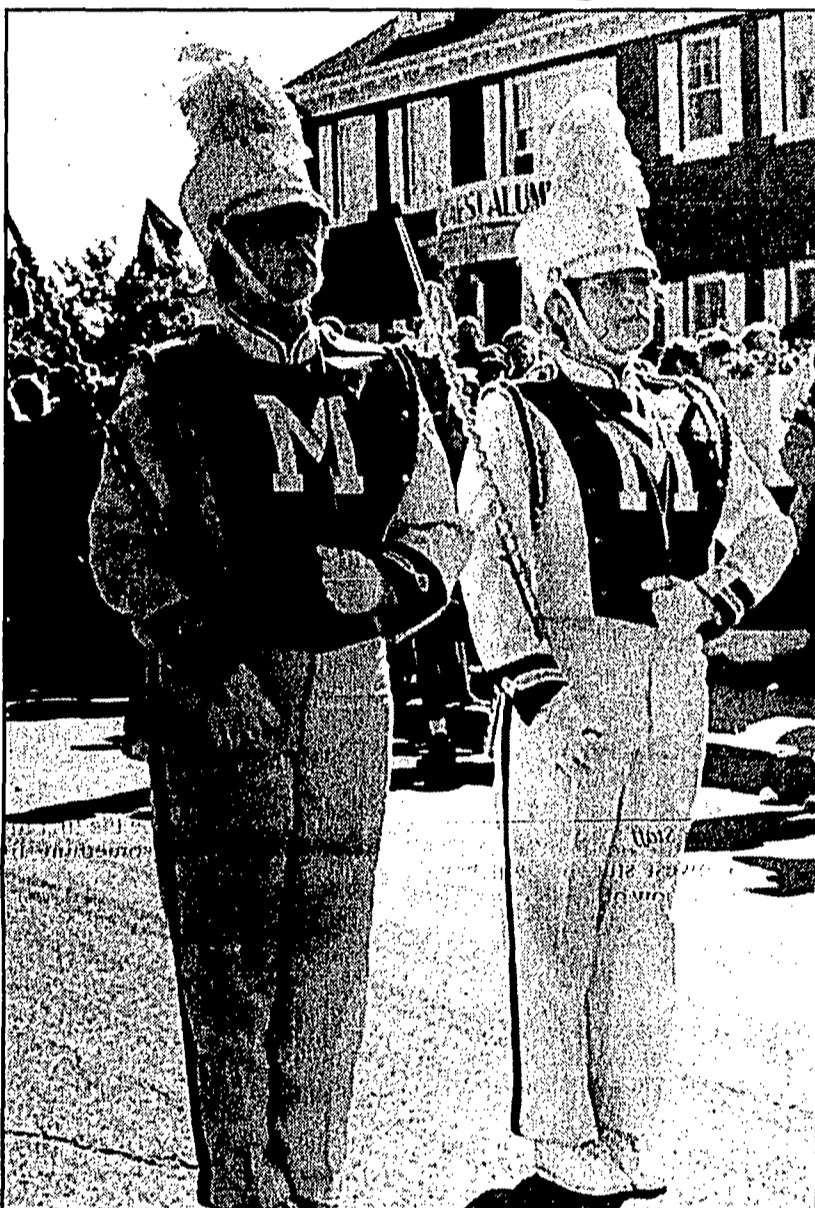
According to Dau, the awards are a direct result of the hard work and many practice hours put in by the band members and the assistant director Bill Dodd.

"Every award has been well deserved," Dau said. "The awards are a great reflection of the quality kids we have in our program."

Although the band competes as a whole at various competitions, certain groups are judged individually. Several awards have been given to the 'Hounds' drumline. The drum majors and twirlers have also received awards.

The drumline led by Brian Jewell and Mary Dean have taken home two first-place overall awards and a second place," Dau said. "They work extremely hard, sometimes putting three- to four-hour rehearsals in a day."

Senior Andrea Ury and junior Natalie Dredge took first overall award and the twirlers took third place in the open-class division.



Maryville High School band drum majors Andrea Ury (left) and Natalie Dredge (right) prepare to lead the band down College Ave. during the Northwest Homecoming parade.

Jennie Nelson/
Staff Photographer

Overall awards are given to participants regardless of school or band size.

For the band as a whole, its competitive season is over, but they have been invited to join Northwest's Bearcat Marching Band to perform Dec. 7 at a Kansas City Chief's game.

The drumline has two competitions left. They will be performing today in Omaha, Neb. and Nov. 8 at the Missouri Western Drumline Competition in St. Joseph.

This band is continuing a tradition that has been strong for a long time," Dau said. "It's a long tradition that has been made through long hours and dedication."

Local constructor builds unique home in Maryville

■ Styrofoam walls make quiet, storm resistant, energy efficient, clean, tornado proof houses

by Toru Yamauchi
Chief Reporter

Many dream of constructing a nice home and a new type of house has come to Maryville—Styrofoam.

The house is not made entirely of Styrofoam, but the walls are constructed with a combination of concrete and Styrofoam. A Maryville resident is investing money on this new type of construction.

Andy Willard's house has Styrofoam walls.

Willard said he was influenced by Kenneth Wilmes, owner of Wilmes Construction Co., who brought the method to town from an architecture company in Omaha, Neb. in 1995.

Wilmes constructed the Styrofoam wall for his own house last year and completed making the entire house last spring.

"After walking through the hall (of Wilmes' house), I became interested in building that home," Willard said.

Wilmes said the Styrofoam house is 70 percent energy efficient, compared to average houses.

The Styrofoam also protects the house from sound, dust and tornadoes.

"When the tornado comes, it will still take roofs and windows, but the wall will still stand," Wilmes said.

He said when the tornado went through Illinois, only the houses with Styrofoam walls remained standing.

Willard was convinced to build the Styrofoam wall in his home when he actually experienced how quiet Wilmes' house was.

"It's just very quiet inside," Willard said. "When we went to test in Kenneth's house, there was a storm outside, but we couldn't hear it. It was nice and quiet inside."

A quiet home was only part of the reason Willard decided to have the new house built.

He said the energy efficiency, in comparison to a normal home, was another factor. His allergies also influenced his decision.

"Since my wife and I both have allergies in the spring and fall; this home is supposed to be cleaner," Willard said.

Although the styrofoam house costs more, Willard said he will save money in the long run.

"The actual house itself costs a little bit more to build," Willard said. "But in several years, we get paid back from the energy saving."

Willard is looking to complete the house by April of 1998. He and his father are trying to finish up the second house in Maryville with Styrofoam walls.

Teen-agers catch paintball fever

by Sarah Bohl
Missourian Staff

The hunter or the hunted — it is a thin line in the game of paintball.

For the past few months this fad has been popular in Maryville. A group of 10 to 12 high school and college students have met every week to compete against each other in this game of skill and strength.

In paintball, each participant is armed with a gun and a face mask to protect themselves. The guns shoot pellets containing paint that explodes when it hits a target.

A small group started paintballing last summer in Kansas City just to try something new and to have something to do on the weekends. However, as others joined the group, it evolved into something more than that.

Jason Schuster, Maryville High School senior, started paintballing about two months ago.

"A couple of my friends were talking about it and told me I should come out and play sometime," Schuster said. "I tried it and was addicted."

For some, the true addiction is the chase.

Another high school senior, Eric Mickelson, has been paintballing for about four months.

"It was just something exciting to do," Mickelson said. "I don't like hunting animals or anything like that, so I figured I'll just hunt humans."

Although many businesses providing terrain for paintballers have been springing up in big cities, Maryville's abundant space takes care of that problem.

Schuster said the group uses a friend's pasture as its battlefield.

"It's got a lot of grass and trees that makes it challenging," he said.

Paintball can be played in many different ways. Matt Herring, high school senior, said how they play depends on how many people show up.

"If we have eight, we might have four go into the woods and hide while the other four hunt them," he said. "Sometimes we'll play it more like a type of capture the flag."

Everyone in the group has their own equipment, and no one is allowed to play if they don't have a face mask. The gun can be a semiautomatic rifle or whatever the participants choose to use.

Herring said most of the players buy their equipment from special paintball stores in St. Joseph, although they can also get it from Wal-Mart.

However, paintball is not inexpensive. Buying the basic equipment for the game can cost from \$160 to \$200.

Like any sort of gun, paintball guns are not gentle. Normally paintballs fly at 250 feet per second, Herring said. That means getting hit can sting.

"A lot of guns let you change the settings," Herring said. "You can set some guns so they can break skin."

"Paintballs hurt," Mickelson said. "They don't kill you, but you still feel it for a while. The best thing is getting people back who shot you before."

Even though some pain is involved, paintballers would still encourage people to try the sport.

"It's fun, and you use strategy and leadership skills. You get to be out with your friends and enjoy the game."

Some play for the exercise. "It's a blast," Mickelson said. "It gives you something to do, and it's a workout."

The group meets every Sunday and other days when they don't have school or other activities.

by Sarah Bohl
Missourian Staff

Two Maryville residents earned top honors at the Missouri Community Betterment Awards ceremony.

Jessica Loch and Jenna Johnson both received the Governor's Leadership Award at the annual banquet in Columbia Oct. 27.

Loch was the recipient of the Governor's Award for Adult Leadership and was sponsored by the Maryville Citizens for Community Action.

"They choose someone for their community service," Loch said. "I have served on lots of committees and have been involved in the community for several years."

Johnson, a senior at Maryville High School, was a winner of the Governor's Award for Youth Leadership.

She was nominated for the award by one of her teachers on the basis of community service. Johnson couldn't believe she had won the award since so many communities were represented.

"I was really excited and surprised," Johnson said. "There were a lot of people there."

The community group decides who to nominate in two different ways, said Jan Colville, president of the MCCA.

The youth nominee is chosen by contacting the high school and talking with the administration and teachers. The adult candidate is selected by members of the MCCA.

Loch and Johnson automatically became the community winners and candidates for the state award.

To compete for the award, the MCCA had to send in a résumé and three recommendations for both nominees to be judged by a Missouri Community Betterment committee.

Almost 80 communities competed for the award by submitting reports detailing improvements they have made to their towns over the past year. Leadership awards are just another section of that award, Loch said.

Maryville also won a Certificate of Merit for their work on the Mazingo project. A representative will present the award to the MCCA at a later date.

The individual awards were presented at a luncheon. Loch and Johnson each received a plaque from Missouri State Treasurer Bob Holden.

The community awards were presented by Gov. Mel Carnahan.

Each community can nominate one candidate in the adult division and one in the youth division. Only 10 awards are given throughout the state every year in each category.

"It's fun, and you use strategy and leadership skills. You get to be out with your friends and enjoy the game."

■ Jason Schuster,
Maryville High School senior

In Brief

Annual soup dinner will benefit church

Hope Lutheran Church, located at 931 S. Main St., will sponsor "Eddy's Famous Chili and Soup Supper" from 5 to 7 p.m. Sunday.

The meal costs \$3.50 for adults and \$2 for children five and under. Money raised at the annual event will go into the church's general fund.

Chamber, NWMSU sponsor lunches

The Northwest Missouri State University Small Business Development Center and the Chamber of Commerce will sponsor a video series during the lunch hour.

They will be from 12:10 to 1 p.m. Nov. 7 and 19 at the Small Business Development Center/Chamber of Commerce conference room located at 423 N. Market St.

The focus for November is "Customer, Inventory and Employee Tracking." For more information contact Deb Shough at 562-1701.

Residents need to recycle more

Northwest Missouri residents will have the opportunity to participate in "Missouri Recycles Day."

The event, as part of the larger, national celebration called "America Recycles Day," will be Nov. 15 throughout the state.

Residents will be asked to sign a pledge card that says they will recycle more waste, buy more recycled products and support a recycling program.

Contact Joel Miller at the Regional Council of Governments and Development Corporation if you or your organization is interested in participating in the event.

Bloodmobile gears up for next week

Business and Professional Women will sponsor a community blood drive from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Nov. 13 in the Fellowship Hall of First United Methodist Church.

For a preferred donation time, please contact Shirley Miller at 582-4031.

This is the fourth bloodmobile of 1997, and those who have given three times this year will be eligible for a Friend-4-Life T-shirt or mug when they donate.

Chamber sells banquet tickets

The Maryville Chamber of Commerce will hold its 37th annual Nodaway County Farm-City Banquet on Monday, Nov. 17.

The event will start at 6:30 p.m. in the University Conference Center. Dr. Joe Jeffrey, a Nebraska veterinarian, rancher and humorist, will be the speaker.

Tickets for the banquet are \$12.50. They are available at the Chamber of Commerce office at 423 N. Market St., or at banks throughout the county.

The deadline for ticket sales is Thursday, Nov. 13. For more information, call the Chamber office at 582-8643.

Public Safety

October 26

■ Fire units responded to the 400 block of West Third Street in reference to a smoke alarm going off. Upon arrival, it was determined the smoke alarm battery had gone bad. No fire or smoke was detected.

October 27

■ A Maryville female reported the theft of a set of golf clubs and a pink golf bag from her garage. Estimated value was \$500.

■ Tanya L. Sullivan, Maryville, was attempting to turn onto West South Avenue and hit a patch of ice and slid into the vehicle of Lana G. McLaughlin who was stopped at a stoplight eastbound on West South Avenue.

■ Ralph Hueste, Maryville, was parked, when his vehicle was struck by another who left the scene.

October 28

■ An officer served a Maryville Municipal Court warrant for failure to appear to Tony E. Boner, 25, Conception Junction. He is being held for bond.

■ While on patrol in the area of 13th and Mulberry streets, an officer observed a vehicle driving over the posted speed limit. The vehicle was stopped and the driver was identified as Shelli L. McNulty, 19, Maryville. An odor of marijuana was detected in the vehicle. McNulty was arrested on charges of possession of drug paraphernalia after rolling papers were found in her possession. She was also issued a citation for driving over the posted speed limit. She was released after posting bond.

■ Officers responded to the 100 block of West Ninth Street on a complaint of a loud party. Upon arrival, contact was made with occupants Kristofferson O. Nystrom, 20, and Leigh C. Peterson, 19. They were advised to shut the party down. A keg of beer was observed in the residence and Nystrom and Peterson were both issued a summons for permitting a peace disturbance and minor in possession.

October 29

■ Fire units responded to a house fire in the 1000 block of North Filmore Street. Upon arrival heavy black smoke was coming from under the eaves. The fire started in kitchen where wax was being melted on the stove, and spread into the ceiling area. The fire was extinguished.

■ An officer arrested Angela M. Larkings, 20, Kansas City, Mo., on charges of larceny, following an incident at a local business in which three compact discs and a box of hair

color were taken without being paid for. She was released after posting bond. Estimated value was \$54.28.

■ A Maryville male reported that he has been receiving harassing phone calls.

October 30

■ After receiving a complaint of a trash violation in the 1300 block of North Main Street an officer issued a summons to Francis Troxell, 74, Edwards, for failure to comply with a notice to abate nuisance.

■ Rachel A. Gerken, Maryville, was making a left hand turn onto South Munn Street from West First Street and started sliding on the wet pavement. Gerken left the roadway and struck a street sign.

■ An officer stopped a vehicle in the 500 block of West Seventh Street for a traffic violation and while running a check on the driver, Lesley M. Dean, 18, Maryville, he discovered her date of birth on the license had been altered. She was issued a summons for possession of an altered driver's license.

■ An officer was on patrol in the 200 block of South Main Street when he observed a vehicle with only one headlight on. The vehicle was stopped, and the driver was identified as James D. Gabbert, 21, Maryville. While talking with Gabbert, the officer detected an odor of intoxicants. He was asked to perform a field sobriety test which he could not complete successfully. He was arrested on charges of driving while intoxicated after his blood alcohol content tested over the legal limit. He was also issued an equipment repair order for his headlight.

■ An officer served a Maryville Municipal Court warrant for failure to appear on Terry A. Tronein, 19, Hopkins. He is being held for bond.

■ An officer took a report from a local business that they had several checks returned because the accounts were closed.

October 31

■ The vehicles of Sarah R. Prehal, Maryville, and Steven C. Thompson, Hopkins, were northbound on Main Street. Thompson was stopped in traffic and was struck in the rear by Prehal. Prehal was issued a citation for careless and imprudent driving.

November 1

■ An officer observed a vehicle make a turn onto West Seventh Street in the oncoming traffic lane and continue in that lane for a short distance. The vehicle was stopped and the driver was identified as Christopher G. Arnold, 22, Maryville. While talking

with the officer, an odor of intoxicants was detected. He was asked to perform a field sobriety test in which he could not complete successfully. He was arrested on charges of driving while intoxicated after his blood alcohol content tested over the legal limit. He was also issued a citation for careless and imprudent driving.

■ An officer served a Maryville Municipal Court warrant for failure to appear on Patrick J. Douglas, 20, Bellevue, Neb. He was released after posting bond.

■ Officers were notified of a vehicle striking mailboxes in the 1100 block of South Main Street and leaving the scene. After receiving the description of the vehicle, an officer found the vehicle in the 700 block of East Fourth Street. Contact was made with the driver, Jason T. Edwards, 26, Cuba, Ill. and while talking with him an odor of intoxicants was detected. He was asked to perform a field sobriety test in which he refused to do and also refused to submit a breath sample for blood alcohol content. He was arrested on charges of driving while intoxicated and also issued a citation for leaving the scene of an accident.

■ An officer took a report of several items being taken from a local business. They included a promotional banner, drinking straw dispenser and a picture. Estimated value was unknown.

■ An officer arrested Michael P. Wilmes, 20, Maryville, on charges of assault following an incident in which a male of Barnard reported he had been assaulted. He is being held for probation and parole.

■ The vehicles of Amy J. Smith, Maryville, and Karen S. Wray, Parnell, were eastbound on South Avenue. Wray was stopped in traffic when her vehicle was struck in the rear by Smith. A citation was issued to Smith for careless and imprudent driving.

November 2

■ A summons for assault was issued to Dustin Ellis, 22, Maryville, following an incident in the 400 block of North Buchanan in which a female reported she had been assaulted by the male subject.

November 3

■ An officer arrested Marlene E. Roupe, 19, Bedford, Iowa, on charges of larceny following an incident at a local business in which seven key chains and two ink pens were taken without being paid for. She was released after posting bond. Estimated value was \$22.71.

■ A Maryville female reported that the building she owned had been

damaged. It appeared there had been a fight, because there was blood on the walls and there was a hole in the sheet rock in the hallway.

■ Linda S. Guess, Maryville, was eastbound on Seventh Street when Rachel M. Diggs, Maryville, pulled from a drive. Guess slid because of icy conditions and struck the curb.

■ Linda S. Hill and Richard L. Mattson, both of Maryville, were southbound on Main Street. Mattson was stopped in traffic, and Hill was unable to stop because of icy conditions. Hill's vehicle struck Mattson's vehicle in the rear.

■ Jacqueline E. Tegen, Maryville, was stopped at a posted stop sign and then pulled into an intersection and struck the vehicle of Kermit D. Goslee, Maryville, who was eastbound on Third Street. A citation was issued to Tegen for failure to yield.

Campus Safety

October 20

■ Campus Safety investigated a medical emergency in a building on campus. Emergency medical services was notified and transported the individual to St. Francis Hospital.

October 21

■ A faculty member reported property damage to a building on campus. An investigation was initiated.

■ Campus Safety investigated a judicial code violation on campus. An investigation was initiated.

October 22

■ Campus Safety investigated a harassment complaint. An investigation was initiated.

October 23

■ Campus Safety investigated a fire alarm in a building on campus. The alarm was unfounded.

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■ Campus Safety received a report of property damage to a parking lot on campus. An investigation was initiated.

October 24

■ Campus Safety investigated a report of an individual tampering with fire equipment in a building on campus.

■ Campus Safety investigated a harassment complaint. An investigation

was initiated.

■ A student reported property damage by a baseball to their vehicle while it was parked in a parking lot on campus.

October 25

■ Campus Safety investigated smoke bombs being activated in a building on campus. An investigation was initiated.

■ Campus Safety investigated a fire alarm in a building on campus. No smoke or fire was detected.

October 26

■ Campus Safety investigated a medical emergency in a building on campus. Emergency medical services were notified and dispatched to the scene. The individual refused medical attention.

■ Campus Safety investigated a fire alarm in a building on campus. No smoke or fire was detected.

October 27

■ Campus Safety investigated an odor of smoke in a building on campus. It was determined that construction workers had been cutting a pipe in the basement, and a spark caught a cardboard box on fire. It was quickly extinguished. There was no property damage.

■ Campus Safety investigated a vehicle accident in a parking lot on campus.

■ Campus Safety issued a University summons to the vice president of student affairs to an individual for damaging University property, inappropriate and disruptive behavior and falsely identifying self to University officials.

October 28

■ Campus Safety responded to a campus building in reference to an elevator being stuck.

■ A University employee reported a theft from a campus building. An investigation was initiated.

October 29

■ Campus Safety investigated a fire alarm in a building on campus. No smoke or fire was detected.

October 30

■ A University employee reported that some University property was missing from a campus building.

■ A student reported property damage and a theft from their vehicle.

■ A student was summoned to the vice president of student affairs for inappropriate behavior.

October 31

■ Campus Safety investigated a fire alarm in a building on campus. No fire was present.

■ Campus Safety was dispatched to the Conference Center in reference to disruptive behavior. An investigation was initiated.

■ Campus Safety was issued a student summons to the vice president of student affairs and a state summons for possession of drug paraphernalia.

Obituaries

Marion Alvin Stockton

Marion Stockton, 77, Stanberry, died Oct. 22 at Pineview Manor in Stanberry.

She was born June 6, 1920, to Ray and Elsie Stockton in Stanberry. Survivors include four daughters, Anita Bridges, Margaret Grace, Nancy Stoll and Mary Poe; four sons, Richard, Dale, Donald and Galen; one brother; one sister; 30 grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren. Services were Oct. 25 at the First Christian Church in Stanberry.

Gertrude M. Moffat

Gertrude Moffat, 85, Maryville, died Oct. 29 at Heartland Regional Medical Center East in St. Joseph.

She was born Feb. 23, 1912, to Aloysius and Mary Ann Schieber in Conception. Survivors include three sons; three daughters; 13 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. Services were Nov. 1 at St. Gregory's Catholic Church.

John Clayton Donaldson

John Donaldson, 87, Maryville died Nov. 1 at the Maryville Health Center in Maryville.

He was born Jan. 1, 1910, to Levi and Goldie Donaldson in Graham. Survivors include his wife Ruth; three daughters; nine grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren. Services were Nov. 4 at the Price Funeral Home Chapel in Maryville.

Frank O'Connell

Frank O'Connell, 93, Kansas City, Mo., died Nov. 4 at the Summit Nursing Home in Kansas City.

He was born March 16, 1904, to Cornelious and Ann O'Connell in Maryville. Survivors include one brother; one sister; and cousins in Maryville. Services are Nov. 7 at St. Gregory's Catholic Church in Maryville.

Correction

In the Oct. 30 issue of the Northwest Missourian Michael Vinson's name was incorrectly spelled in the story Maryville's Most Haunted. The Missourian regrets the error.

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Hooked on books: Author's stories on teen-agers find an eager audience in northwest Missouri

STORY BY COLLEEN COOKE

Although he doesn't like the term "young adult literature," young adult author Chris Crutcher is helping get students in northwest Missouri hooked on books — his books, specifically.

Crutcher has gained popularity in this area over the past two or three years thanks in part to an appearance at the first Young Adult Literature Festival at Northwest in 1995. English professor Virgil Albertini organizes the festival and said he called many high school and middle school teachers to let them know that the author would be coming to Northwest for the first year.

Since that first conference, which about 350 people attended, teachers have introduced their students to Crutcher's works. Attendance at the third Young Adult Literature festival, which took place Oct. 28, was more than 500. And this time, Albertini didn't have to call anybody.

During his sessions, the author talked about some of the stories behind his books, and also showed how some of his own life makes it into his works.

When Crutcher talks about his books, he often uses the phrase "so-called young adult literature" because he has experienced the difficulties that can come with having a label like that placed on him.

"I don't like the term because it's incorrect," he said. "Young adult literature is for 12 and up, yet they're not young adults. And if you get it into young adult literature, then it's excluded from adult literature, so you're kind of operating at a disadvantage in terms of just getting your material out to all the people you want to have read it."

Despite the restrictions that may come for him, Crutcher's works seem to have spoken to the people for whom they are intended — teen-agers. Albertini said Crutcher's popularity is due to the author's style of writing and choice of subject material.

"He addresses issues they're concerned about, and he writes with a style that they can understand," Albertini said. "He's a storyteller — he knows what to do with those words."

Though ostensibly books for high school students, English major Lisa Hartman has introduced the students she tutors in the Writing Center on campus to Crutcher's works. Before Crutcher's appearance at Northwest, Hartman read "Telephone Man," a short story that appears in "Athletic Shorts," to her students. She said the students responded

enthusiastically to the story. "One student has bought three of his books," she said. "He has a brand-new outlook on reading. He hasn't read anything since fifth grade, but now he's getting into it."

Jenny Lamb, the eighth grade reading teacher at Washington Middle School, took 144 students to see Crutcher at the conference.

"Even when they haven't read his books, they loved listening to him," Lamb said. "I think that takes a talent. He fascinated most of them."

Although the subject matter of his books makes them more suited for high school students, Lamb said her advanced readers really enjoy a book like "Running Loose."

"I just don't have many kids who are into the Baby Sitters' Club or R.L. Stine," she said.

Thanks to the work of English teachers and librarians, Crutcher said his and others' works are being noticed by the right people — the students.

"One of the things that's starting to change now because of classes like Dr. Albertini's is they're (teachers, readers) starting to realize that there's a lot of good stuff being written about people between the ages of 12 and 20."

Balancing act

Crutcher's books are filled with things most high school students will recognize — lots of sports, dating anxiety, peer pressure and embarrassment — and also things that are harder to face, including suicide, abusive parents, divorce and abortion.

He said many of his stories — including the tough stories about teenagers — come from real life, particularly his contact with troubled teens at the Spokane Mental Health Center, where he has counseled families for more than 15 years. Some of the stories of abuse and trouble at home he heard from kids at the center were the basis for his characters' stories, including "Staying Fat for Sarah Byrnes" and "The Deep End."

However, Crutcher said he is careful to always balance out the stories of abuse and pain with a good dose of his own sense of humor.

"For the last 15 years, I've heard two

of those stories a week, and you just can't do that without a sense of humor," Crutcher said. "It's the sense of humor that keeps you going."

While working at the mental health center, Crutcher started his writing career at age 35. His first book was "Running Loose," which was listed as one of the best young adult books of the 1980s. It was also listed in the top 10 most challenged books in 1995.

Because of the difficult nature of his subject matter, Crutcher has found many of his books at the center of censorship disputes in schools.

"Up front, you get challenged about language, but really you get banned because of the ideas," he said. "You're writing about things that make people uncomfortable."

He said problems come because in order for his books to get into the hands of students, they must first pass through school administrators. This is often where censorship problems arise.

"The problem with so-called young adult literature is that you're writing about 16 to 18-year-olds and the schools

say you have to read this and this, the people you write about won't be reading it," he said. "They have to go through adult readers first."

Creating craftsmanship

While getting his books into students' hands can sometimes be difficult, Crutcher had the good fortune to get his material into the right publishers' hands.

While he was in college, he became friends with Terry Davis, who wrote "Vision Quest" in 1979, which was later made into a movie with Matthew Modine and Madonna. Because of his contact with Davis, Crutcher was able to get "Running Loose" to the people who publish Davis' works.

More than just a publishing contact, though, Crutcher said being around Davis showed him the process of writing and rewriting, and it convinced him that authors weren't some space aliens.

"I thought all authors were either like that or dead," Crutcher said. "But this was a guy I could beat in one-on-one basketball."

As Davis was writing "Vision Quest," about a high school wrestler once a week he would read Crutcher a chapter, to see if it was believable.

"He'd bring it back and it would be smoother and better," Crutcher said. "As it got to be chapter five and six and seven, I got to see the story take shape."

With that glimpse into the craftsmanship of writing, Crutcher started writing his own stories, full of sports, friendships and tough issues. Athletics tends to be the center of most of his books; his collection of short stories is even titled "Athletic Shorts."

"When I sit down to start writing stories about people who are 16 or 17 years old, the athletic part just kind of falls into that," Crutcher said. "I don't want to sit down and just write jock stories. The vision I have to have to tell a story like that is the 17-year-old vision."

It is that vision in his books that has students around the area snapping up his works in book stores and libraries.

"There's a level of honesty and intensity in the subject matter," Hartman said. "It's truly honest, and it's not just

"Vision Quest" as a "teen" book, but as a story about a person who is 16 or 17 years old, and it's not just about sports, but about the

Something about the author

Name: Chris Crutcher
Birthday: July 17, 1946
Hometown: Cascade, Idaho

Education: Received a bachelor's degree in psychology and sociology and a teaching certificate from Eastern Washington State College.

First job: Worked at his dad's service station when he was 9

Favorite sport: Basketball

Favorite TV show: "Frasier"

Published books: "Running Loose," 1983; "Stotan!" 1986; "The Crazy Horse Electric Game," 1987; "Chinese Handcuffs," 1989; "Athletic Shorts," 1991; "The Deep End," 1992; "Staying Fat for Sarah Byrnes," 1993; "Ironman," 1995

Time it takes to finish writing a book: About a year

Book he's reading right now: "Underworld," by Don Dilello

Awards: Honored in 1994 for "significant contribution to young adult literature" by the Assembly on Literature for Young Adolescents of the National Council of Teachers of English; four books have been named an ALA Best Book for Young Adults; "Running Loose," "Chinese Handcuffs" and "Stotan!" were listed among the best young adult novels of the 1980s.

Stories made into movies: "Angus," based on "A Brief Moment in the Life of Angus Bethune," which appears in "Athletic Shorts." Crutcher is currently working on the screenplay version of "Staying Fat for Sarah Byrnes."



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During his afternoon session at the Young Adult Literature Festival Oct. 28, author Chris Crutcher speaks with students and teachers from area schools. Crutcher shared some stories that influenced his books, and he also read a chapter from his next book.

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Bearcats, Bulldogs battle for Hickory Stick

Sports evoke mixed reactions from columnist

by Colln McDonough
Managing Editor

Very rarely would Northwest put the Hickory Stick on the back burner, but with Saturday's game looming near that is exactly where the Stick stands — in the back-ground.

The 'Cats will tangle with Truman State University Saturday at 1 p.m. in Rickenbrode Stadium with the Hickory Stick on the line. It is the longest Division II trophy series but the Bearcats are thinking less about the Stick and more about a conference title and playoff berth.

Northwest comes into the game with a record of 9-0 and is rated No. 4 in the latest NCAA Division II national rankings. Truman has a 6-2 overall record and a 6-1 mark in the MIAA.

Defensive coordinator Scott Bostwick said the fans need to show their support in the 'Cats' regular season finale.

"We need everybody's help this week," Bostwick said. "We need to challenge every student to be there — wearing green and making noise."

Mel Tjeerdsma, head football coach, said the team has to get support from the students.

"We've got so much we're playing for this week," Tjeerdsma said. "We've given a lot of people joy and entertainment and we need them. We've been spoiled in the past but we've got a good product and it's something we should be proud of."

The 'Cats will be playing for at least a tie for the MIAA champion-

ship in the game and would lock up a playoff bid with a victory.

"To show you how much this game means, when we beat Pittsburg (State University) we accomplished only one goal — beating Pitt," Tjeerdsma said. "If we win this week, we will have accomplished seven more goals. That just shows how important this game is."

Brian Sutton, junior defensive back, said the 'Cats would cherish another MIAA title but would not be satisfied unless they won the championship without a tie.

"We had a tie last year," Sutton said. "We want it outright this year."

Truman could present a difficult task for the 'Cats, Tjeerdsma said.

"They're a good, well-balanced, well-coached football team," he said. "They run and pass extremely well. They like to bootleg pass off the run and that's tough to defend. Defensively, they are a real solid team. You can get yards but you don't get many points."

Wade Hanson, senior wide receiver, said both teams will be ready to battle come Saturday.

"It's a big game because we're cross-state rivals," Hanson said. "They lost on Saturday, but they'll still be fired up for us."

Scott Courter, sophomore wide receiver, said the Hickory Stick looks good in Maryville and does not want to give it back.

"Last year we were able to go over there and take it back," Courter said. "I'm sure they'll be looking for revenge, but we want to keep it for a while."

Daniel Keys, junior defensive



Sophomore A-back Charlie Pugh runs up the middle toward the endzone during the Bearcat's 41-9 win over the Central Missouri University Saturday. This week the Bearcats will battle rival Truman State University.

John Petrovic/Contributing Photographer

back, said the Bulldogs create a test the 'Cats want to face.

"I'm really looking forward to the challenge because they are a very balanced team," Keys said. "Teams like that give us a chance to see how good we are."

Northwest 41, CMSU 9

A slow start turned into a methodical trouncing of the Central Missouri State University Mules Saturday in Rickenbrode Stadium, 41-9.

The Bearcats dominated the line of scrimmage and pounded the Mules into submission. Northwest tallied 253 rushing yards compared to only 100 for CMSU.

Hanson had a huge day for the Bearcats catching five passes for 84 yards and two touchdowns.

"The coaches had been kind of holding me back so that teams would not key on me," Hanson said. "I just got open and (quarterback Chris) Greisen found me."

Sutton said the Mules gave up mentally and really could not get back in the game.

"They're a good team, but their morale was down," he said. "So we just tried to go out and do our job."

Northwest's defensive effort was also a big factor against the Mules.

"Defensively, I was really pleased with the way we came out and played

really hard and got after it," Tjeerdsma said. "We were very physical, especially with our linebackers and secondary. We really came up and made the plays."

However, the game was not all positives for the 'Cats, because they lost junior A-back Derek Lane to a shoulder separation in the first quarter. He will be out two to three weeks.

Taking his place will be sophomore Charlie Pugh and redshirt freshman Dave Jansen. Jansen gained 70 yards on seven carries Saturday.

"Dave had some explosive runs," Tjeerdsma said. "He's an explosive player, and he always gets positive yards."



Wendy Broker

This was quite a week in Bearcat sports.

The football team's future remains solid after they took down the Central Missouri State University Mules, 41-9, last

week. The 'Cats remain the only MIAA team without a blemish on their record.

Up next for the team is longtime rival Truman State University. The battle for the Hickory Stick is in the 'Ville this year, where Northwest will try to repeat last year's 52-22 smashing of the Bulldogs.

The Bulldogs come into the game off a 28-18 loss to Pitt State. My guess is they will be rarin' to redeem themselves and what better way than to knock off the 9-0 Bearcats. My prediction is this will be a close game: Northwest 31, Truman 24.

The volleyball team went 3-1 at the Drury College Volleyball Classic, a nice tournament finish for the second week in a row. Go Bearcats. Maybe it's just time in the season where all the new players have finally clicked or maybe the seniors just want to go out in style. Whatever the reason, it certainly speaks well of the team.

The men's and women's cross country teams had the weekend off following the MIAA championships where the women three-peaked as champs and the men moved up from last year's fourth-place finish to take second. This weekend, the teams will head to Wisconsin for the regional meet, to take aim at a spot in the NCAA national meet. The women must place in the top four to return to nationals where they finished 10th last year. The men will shoot to be in the top five to make their first appearance at the national meet in over 10 years. Good luck runners.

In other action: Did anyone catch that Notre Dame/Navy game Saturday? Talk about a heartstopper. The Fighting Irish barely pulled it out following a Hail Mary pass by Navy as time expired. But the luck of the Irish prevailed and the player from the Navy was stopped two yards short of the winning touchdown.

On a more depressing note, the world renowned Chicago Bulls lost their opening game to the Boston Celtics Friday night, but bounced back to win over the 76ers Saturday. With Dennis Rodman just signing his contract last week, and not quite in tip-top shape, and Scottie Pippen out for the next two months, the Bulls have some adjusting to do if they want to be contenders this year.

And the worst for me, and don't hate me Chiefs fans, the Cowboys lost to the 49ers 17-10, after a controversial last-minute play in which Micheal Irvin, grabbing for the tying touchdown pass, was caught up with 49er Rod Woodson. The play was first ruled pass interference, but then the referees pulled the game out of the Cowboys' grasp by ruling that the men's feet simply got tangled. And to make the loss even more painful, just two plays later, Troy Aikman was intercepted to end the game.

Well, that's all the sports news for this week's edition. Tune in next week for more sports action.

Wendy Broker is the University sports editor for the Northwest Missourian.

Cross country squads will compete at regional meet

by Wendy Broker
University Sports Editor

The final step before nationals will be taken this weekend as the cross country teams travel to Kenosha, Wis., for the Great Lakes regional meet.

The men, ranked fifth in last week's regional coaches' poll and 18th in the national poll, will attempt to finish in the top five, which will enable them to travel back to Kenosha in two weeks for the NCAA Division II national meet.

If the men win the opportunity to appear at the national meet, it will mark the first time in over 10 years the team has done so.

Juniors Robby Lane, Don Ferree,

Brian Cornelius and Corey Parks, along with sophomores Matt Johnson and Bryan Thornburg and freshman Mike Ostreko will be running for the 'Cats.

Rich Alsop, men's head coach, said this is the meet that will determine the rest of the men's season.

"This an exciting time of year," Alsop said. "This is a washroom meet. If you run good, you don't take the uniforms to the washroom to stay, you don't run well and you put them away. It's basically D-day. This is it."

Potential is not a problem for the men, it is performance at this particular meet that will make the difference.

"The men need to have some courage to race as well as they train," Alsop said. "It will be important if

we're going to move on, to have two or three of the men really step it up and live up to their potential. We have come along way, we just need to continue."

The road to the national championship will not be easy for the men.

"No one will just give us that fifth-place finish (needed to make nationals)," Alsop said. "We will have to work awfully hard to get there. We have no fear of anybody, though. Everyone will start and finish at the same place."

Women seek to return to nationals

The women's cross country team is vying for a repeat appearance at the NCAA national meet with a fourth-place or higher finish at the Great

Lakes regional meet this weekend.

Taking the starting line for the Bearcats will be seniors Kathy Kearns, Carrie Sindelar and Dana Luke, along with juniors Lindsey Borgstadt and Jen Miller and freshman Meghan Carlson. The women's seventh runner will either be sophomore Becca Glassel or freshman Sarah Handrup, pending coach Bud Williams' decision.

Williams said the team will advance to the national meet if their performance at regionals is consistent with past years.

"It is only reasonable and realistic that if we run our own races and perform at the level of our ability, we will qualify for the national meet," Williams said. "It will be dif-

ficult for us to beat Lewis (University), a perennial power. We will try to challenge them and just hope for the best."

The Bearcats, currently ranked second in the region and eighth in the nation, are expected to finish second in the meet to Lewis, but Williams acknowledges nothing is set in stone.

"Ratings don't mean anything until the race is run. Each day when you race, you have to prove you are as good as the polls say," Williams said. "No one will just lie down and play dead just because Northwest arrives on the scene. We must remain injury free and healthy. Each of the women must run well, because there are teams out there just waiting to knock us off."

Griffons smash Bearcat spikers

by Wendy Broker
University Sports Editor

The Griffons sent the Bearcats back to Maryville with a 3-0 loss.

Missouri Western State College, No. 1 in the conference, came out strong, beating the 'Cats in three straight, 6-15, 8-15, 15-17.

Jennifer Waldron, junior outside hitter, picked up 12 kills and 17 digs, while Diann Davis, senior middle hitter, notched four blocks. Freshman setter Abby Willms added 42 assists.

The team finished last weekend's Drury College Tournament with a 3-1 record losing only to the University of Alabama-Huntsville.

In the 'Cats last game of the tournament, they faced Drury College, and came out on top after three games, 15-3, 15-7, 15-4.

Abby Sunderman, freshman middle hitter, led the team with 15 kills, while Jill Quast, freshman outside hitter, added 17 digs and Willms

tacked on 33 assists and 15 digs.

To start off the day Saturday, the women played Central Arkansas taking the match in three games, 15-3, 15-7, 15-13.

Quast and Sunderman each racked up 11 kills, as junior Jennifer Waldron added 11 assists.

Friday night, the women of Lyon College tried to knock the Bearcats off but came up short. The 'Cats won the first two, 15-2, 15-7, lost the third 14-16, and came back to win the match with a 15-4 score in game four.

Davis helped facilitate the win with 12 kills and nine blocks. Quast tallied 12 kills and 13 digs as well.

In the Bearcats opening game of the tournament, they fell to Huntsville in a four game match, 11-15, 15-10, 15-5, 17-15.

The weekend showed improvement in the women's defense.

"This weekend we saw a lot of team improvement, and blocking, probably the hardest skill, was our No. 1 improvement," head coach

Sarah Pelster said. "Since we changed our defense, we have been picking up more of the junk in the middle that maybe hurt us in the past."

Along with building a successful record this weekend, the Bearcat women broke some school records.

Davis put her name on two records after the weekend, breaking her old record in block assists with 151, and also taking the record for total blocks with 223. Davis is ranked No. 2 in the nation in blocks.

Willms broke Jennifer Pitttrich's 1995 record for assists in a season with 1,494. She is now No. 5 in career assists at Northwest and stands at No. 9 in the nation in assists (as of Oct. 26). Quast created a new mark of 571 for most digs in a season, breaking Stacy Hoelscher's 1989 record, and is now No. 14 in the nation in digs.

"This shows that we have a great class of volleyball players here," Pelster said. "We have made great strides with the young, inexperienced team we started this season out with."

Athletic Shorts

Runners honored for academics

The MIAA announced the 1997-98 Commissioner's Academic Honor Roll for cross country Monday.

Juniors Brian Cornelius, Don Ferree and Robby Lane, along with sophomores Matt Brownsburger, Josh Heihn, Matt Johnson and Eric Rector all received the honor.

Five Northwest women also received the honor. Seniors Kathy Kearns, Dana Luke and Carrie Sindelar, as well as junior Lindsey Borgstadt and sophomore Stacey Otte were named to the Commissioner's list.

In order to be named to the honor roll, athletes must have a cumulative grade-point average of 3.0 or better, must have attended their present MIAA school at least two semesters, not including summers, and must be a sophomore, junior or senior in athletic eligibility.

Weather causes postponement

Inclement weather has caused the flag football championships to be pushed back until next week.

In the sorority division, Alpha No. 1 defeated Sigma Kappa Maroon to reach the championship. Alpha No. 1 will play Sigma Kappa Sphinxer Kickers, who defeated Sigma Black. The game is scheduled for 4 p.m. Monday in Rickenbrode Stadium.

In the men's division, Team US pulled out a victory over the Counting Crows to reach the championship. They will face Team Pritchett who defeated Jugband. The championship game will be played at 4:45 p.m. Monday in Rickenbrode.

In the fraternity division, Sigma Phi Epsilon Ep Yours, who squeaked out a victory over Phi Sigma Kappa Chodes, will play the Delta Chi Rebels, who beat the Sig Ep Purple Helms. The matchup will be at 4:45 p.m. Tuesday in Rickenbrode.

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'Hounds win, improve to 9-0

by **Scott Summers**
Community Sports Editor

Senior night provided a spark for a few members of the Maryville football team, but the 'Hounds hardly needed the extra motivation, crushing Lincoln Academy 53-0.

Defense was Maryville's money-maker last Friday night as it has been all season.

The Spoofhounds intercepted six passes and held Lincoln Academy to minus four yards rushing.

Senior quarterback John Otte said the 'Hounds are always going to be a challenge for opposing offenses.

"Our defense played great (against Lincoln Academy)," Otte said. "There are not too many teams out there that can score on our defense."

The Spoofhounds struggled to get their offense going early on, but once they did, they blew the Tigers away.

"We were a little rusty at the start," Otte said. "We didn't do all that well, but we played well enough to win."

Grant Sutton, senior running back, put Maryville on the scoreboard with a 21-yard touchdown carry late in the first quarter.

The 'Hounds began the second quarter just as they had ended the first — with a touchdown. This time, Andy Mackey, senior running back, plunged into the end zone from three yards out. Following a missed extra point, Maryville led 13-0.

Minutes later, Otte found his cousin, Adam Otte, junior running back, who streaked 35 yards for a touchdown. Sutton scored his next touchdown just before halftime when he intercepted a pass and returned it 34 yards for the score. The 'Hounds took a 25-0 lead into the locker room at the break after missing a 2-point conversion attempt.

There are not too many teams out there that can score on our defense."

John Otte, senior quarterback Maryville High School

Adam Weldon, senior running back, started things quickly for Maryville in the second half, scoring on a 7-yard touchdown carry early in the third quarter. John Otte's 2-point conversion run made the score 33-0.

One play is all the 'Hounds needed to pad their lead. Sutton scampered 57 yards for his third touchdown of the game to give the Spoofhounds a 39-point advantage over the Tigers.

Maryville's final two touchdowns came on runs by Jason Cracraft, sophomore running back. Cracraft scored on carries of eight and two yards, giving the Spoofhounds a 53-0 victory over the Tigers.



Senior linebacker Grant Sutton and junior linebacker John Edmonds converge on the ball during last Friday's game.

Sutton tipped the pass before finally intercepting it and returning it 34 yards for a touchdown during the win.

Jennifer Meyer/Photography Director

Cornhuskers deserve spot atop rankings



Scott Summers

Welcome to the show. Armchair quarterbacks take note: This will be the biggest weekend of college football so far this season.

Two of the nation's undefeated teams are sure to fall. Either Florida State or North Carolina and Penn State or Michigan will fall from the ranks of the unbeaten when they battle each other in head-to-head competition.

Nebraska remains the top-ranked team in all the land after romping the Oklahoma Sooners 69-7 in a contest (by definition only) between two of college football's biggest rivals.

Second-ranked Florida State is the only team with a remote chance of knocking off the Huskers.

Look for the national championship to be on the line when Nebraska and Florida State meet Jan. 2 in Miami at the Orange Bowl.

Sad as it sounds, the 'Noles could beat the Huskers if they can control Nebraska's potent running attack. Don't bet on it.

The most overrated team in the polls is Penn State. For the first few weeks of the season, the Nittany Lions looked as if they might give coach Joe Paterno another title.

After two near losses — the first, a 16-15 squeaker to unranked Minnesota, and this week's 30-27 win over Northwestern, Penn State is lucky to hold onto a No. 3 ranking.

Michigan is playing solid football — nothing spectacular, but the Wolverines are getting the job done.

There are only two or three teams in the country that could beat Michigan on its home field. The Wolverines' home stadium seats 102,500 screaming Michigan fans. Now, that is home field advantage.

Did anyone else realize North Carolina had a football team before this year? It's true. I looked it up.

The Tar Heels' success this season will undoubtedly come to an end when they meet Florida State this weekend, but it was a good ride.

Here is what next week's top 10 should look like:

1. Nebraska
2. Florida State
3. Michigan
4. Washington
5. Penn State
6. North Carolina
7. Kansas State
8. Ohio State
9. Tennessee
10. Georgia

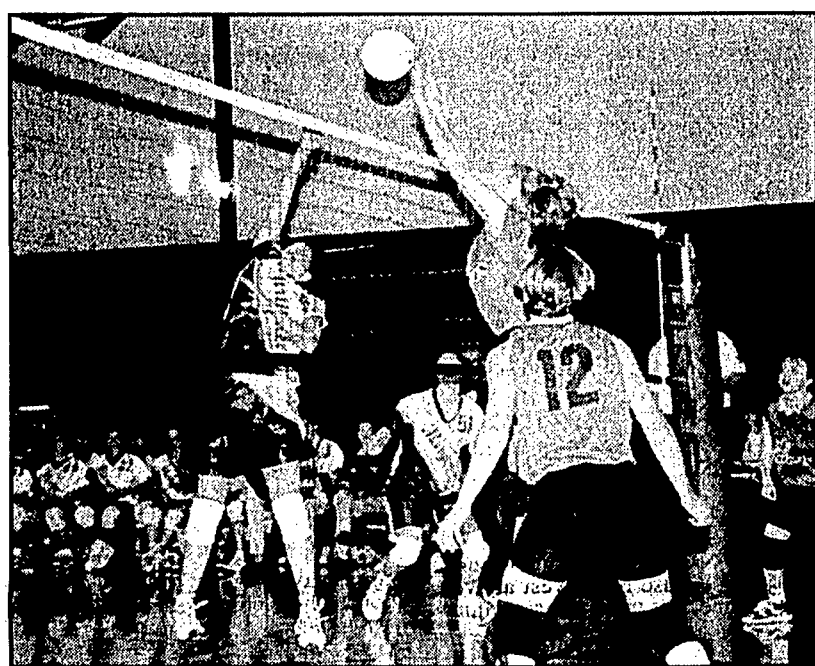
A few notable teams are missing from the list — primarily Florida and Colorado.

Although the Gators may still haunt some opponents, their offense is less powerful than last year's championship squad.

The reason for Colorado's sudden demise is a mystery. Sure, Missouri has a better football team than in past years, but a team as talented as Colorado should never fall to the Tigers.

I guess that proves anything can happen in the strange world of college football.

Scott Summers is the community sports editor for the Northwest Missourian.



Senior Keri Lohafer spikes the ball as an opposing player goes up for a block. The volleyball team finished its season with a 20-4 record.

Volleyball squad's season ends following disappointing match

by **Mark Milosovich**
Missourian Staff

The Maryville girls' volleyball team found an obstacle on the way to its first district championship Thursday.

Platte County put a sudden end to the team's season with a 15-2, 15-8, victory over the 'Hounds.

"The team was very disappointed and upset," head coach Gregg Winslow said. "They know they didn't play to their ability and could have won the match."

This match meant a lot to the Maryville players.

"We were very disappointed because we wanted to go on," senior Abby Lade said. "It was sad because

being a senior, it was my last game."

After defeating Platte County earlier in the season, the team was never really into this match.

"We were too nervous and didn't have our heads in the game," senior Keri Lohafer said. "We played bad, and they were really pumped up and played great."

After an impressive 20-4 season, losing at districts did not make the season a failure.

"The players were too tight being in a situation that they have never been in before," Winslow said. "After the match, they were depressed, but I told them by no means should this loss take away from anything this year."

The team won two tournaments

this season and captured a share of the conference title, both of which were school firsts.

"This season we did really well and accomplished a lot of our goals for the season," Lohafer said.

This year's squad loses five seniors who brought talent and leadership to the squad. Of the five, three earned all-district honors.

Winslow said next year's team has the capability of being successful.

"We will miss the seniors, but the cupboard is not bare," Winslow said. He is referring to five juniors who saw playing time and the junior varsity team, which had a 19-1 record.

The team hopes it has the valuable experience to lead it into battle next season.

Cross country team sends lone runner to state meet

Senior harrier qualifies to run at final competition in Jefferson City Saturday

by **Mark Hornickel**
Chief Reporter

The harriers' season came to a close, and one runner accomplished her goal of getting to the state meet last Saturday.

Senior Courtney Conley achieved two goals at the district meet — to medal at every meet this season and qualify for state.

Conley said her coaches helped get her motivated to do as well as she could.

"Heidi (Metz, assistant coach) said before the race, 'Who wants it?,' and I was like, 'I want it,'" Conley said.

Head coach Ron Eckerson was excited with Conley's performance.

"I'm very happy for Courtney," Eckerson said. "The state meet is a good experience. It's always tough at state. Just to make it there is wonderful. If she can get the same time (as this week), she'll do very well."

Conley will run at 11:40 a.m. Saturday in Jefferson City.

Freshman Jennifer Heller was the next 'Hound finisher after Conley. She finished the race with a time of 23:51.

Junior Laura Loch came next with a time 25:50 and sophomore Amy Eckerson ended with a time of 28:11. Sophomore Kerry Wilmes finished the race in a time of 31:24.

The girls' team finished in seventh place, scoring 137 points at the district race.

In the varsity boys' race, senior Brian Jewell failed to return to the state competition finishing at a time of 18:38.

"It was a pretty fast moving race," Jewell said. "I was hoping for a time in the lower 18s. A little bit of my mental (mind) got into it."

Junior Jason Felton, who was trying to reach the state meet for the first

time, missed a chance with a time of 19:20.

"I wanted to run the best I could," Felton said. "I started out fast and I just didn't have enough at the end."

Eckerson said Jewell and Felton could have helped themselves at the beginning of the race by getting a better start.

"Brian (Jewell) probably could've qualified, but Jason (Felton) just didn't have the gas power," Eckerson said.

Junior Dustin Coulter was the next runner with a time of 20:03. Junior Nate Harris earned a time of 22:28, while freshman Adam Messner took a time of 23:44.

Freshman Travis Turner turned in a time of 25:23 and freshman Connor Goodson grabbed a time of 25:45.

The boys earned a total of 230 points, giving them an eighth-place finish.

Eckerson said the rest of the runners did not earn the good times they were hoping for.

"Jennifer (Heller) was hoping to qualify, but she needed to be about a minute faster," Eckerson said.

Eckerson was still pleased with the team's overall performance this year.

"We had a lot of good runners and hopefully they will all be back next year," Eckerson said.

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First Quarter
CMSU — FG Meyer 45, 9:57
NW — Lane 2 run (Pumell kick), 5:14
Second Quarter
NW — Greisen 5 run (Pumell kick), 14:56
CMSU — FG Meyer 22, 7:30
NW — Hanson 20 pass from Greisen (Pumell kick), 2:19
NW — FG Pumell 46, 0:00
Third Quarter
NW — Hanson 2 pass from Greisen (Pumell kick), 4:30
Fourth Quarter
NW — FG Pumell 37, 11:50
CMSU — FG Meyer 29, 8:21
NW — Evans 27 run (Pumell kick), 7:34

The Bearcats are 9-0 on the season and ranked No. 4 in the nation. Northwest will play 1 p.m. Saturday in Rickenbrode Stadium.

MIAA Standings

Conference	W	L	Overall	W	L	Pts.	PA
NWMSU	7	0	9	0	362	103	
PSU	6	1	7	1	254	113	
TSU	6	1	6	2	269	166	
ESU	4	3	6	3	350	234	
MSSC	4	3	5	3	201	198	
CMSU	3	4	4	5	274	253	
MWSC	2	5	4	5	199	203	
WU	2	5	3	6	182	203	
UMR	1	6	2	7	114	256	
SBU	0	7	0	8	66	325	

NCAA Division II Poll

School (State)	(Record)	Points
1. Carson-Newman (Tenn.)	(8-0)	80
2. New Haven (Conn.)	(8-1)	76
3. Angelo State (Texas)	(8-0)	71
4. Northwest	(9-0)	69
5. Texas A&M-Kingsville	(7-1)	63
6. Albany State (Ga.)	(8-0)	60
7. North Dakota	(7-1)	57
8. Slippery Rock (Pa.)	(8-1)	52

9. West Georgia	(7-1)	48
10. Pittsburg State (Kan.)	(7-1)	44
11. Tie-Shepherd (W. Va.)	(8-0)	38
Western State (Colo.)	(8-2)	38
13. Northern Colorado	(7-2)	31
14. Southern Arkansas	(7-1)	26
15. Grand Valley State (Mich.)	(8-1)	25
16. New Mexico Highlands	(7-2)	20
17. North Alabama	(7-2)	15
18. Truman State	(6-2)	12
19. Ashland (Ohio)	(8-1)	6
20. UC-Davis	(5-4)	5

Midwest Regional Rankings

1. Northwest
2. North Dakota
3. Pittsburg State
4. Northern Colorado
5. Truman State
6. Nebraska-Omaha
7. North Dakota State

8. Emporia State
9. Winona State
10. Missouri Southern

At the end of the regular season schedule, only the top 4 teams will advance to the NCAA Division II playoffs. The higher ranked team will have home-field advantage.

Division II Key Matchups for Nov. 8

Indianapolis at Ashland
UC-Davis at Grand Valley
Slippery Rock at Shippensburg
Shepherd at Glenville State
Northern Colorado at South Dakota State
Truman at Northwest
Texas A&M-Kingsville at Abilene Christian
Angelo State at Texas A&M-Commerce
New Mexico Highlands at Nebraska-Kearney
Carson-Newman at Newberry College
Albany Central at N.C. Central
West Georgia at North Alabama

Southern Arkansas at N.E. Oklahoma State
Valdosta State at Central Arkansas
Clark Atlanta at Morehouse
Fayetteville State at Livingstone

MIAA Schedule

Thursday, Oct. 6
Missouri Western @ Pittsburg State
Saturday, Oct. 8
Emporia State @ Missouri-Rolla
Missouri Southern @ Southwest Baptist
Truman State @ Northwest
Washburn @ Central Missouri

Saturday, Oct. 15
Northwest @ Emporia State
Pittsburg State @ Washburn
Southwest Baptist @ Missouri-Rolla
Central Missouri @ Missouri Western
Truman State @ Missouri Southern

Maryville High School

Friday, Oct. 31
Lincoln Academy at Maryville
Maryville 0 0 0 0 — 0
Lincoln 7 18 21 7 — 53

First Quarter
M — Sutton 21 run (Pederson kick)
Second Quarter
M — Mackey 3 run (kick failed)
M — Adam Otto 35 pass from John Otto (run failed)
M — Sutton 34 interception return (run failed)
Third Quarter
M — Weldon 7 run (John Otto run)
M — Sutton 57 run (kick failed)
M — Cracraft 8 run (Pederson kick)
Fourth Quarter
M — Cracraft 2 run (Pederson kick)

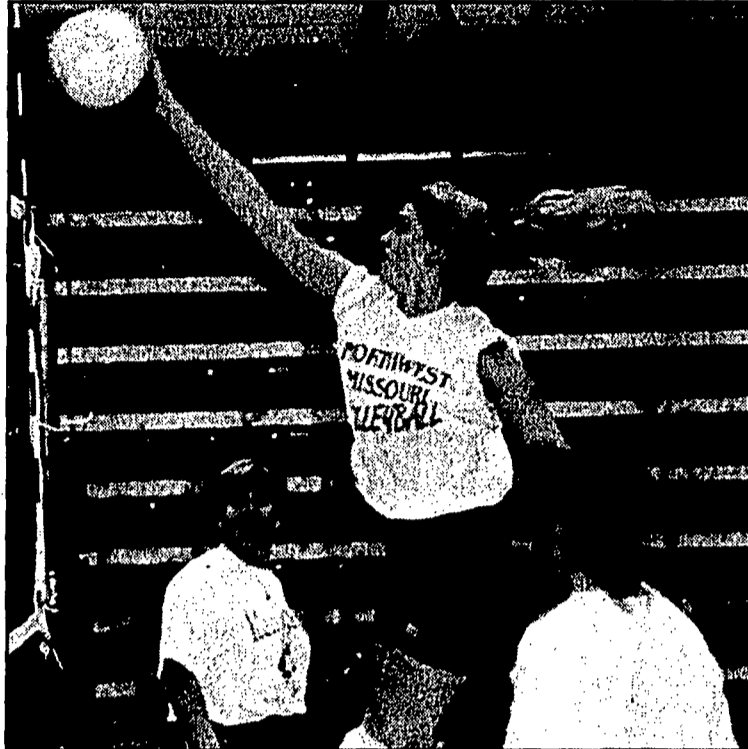
	Hounds	Tigers
First Downs	10	5
Rushing	244	4
Passing Yards	72	73
Total Yards	316	69

The Spoofhounds are 9-0 on the season and ranked No. 1 in the state. Maryville will play at 7 p.m. Friday at Platte County.

Intramural Points

Fraternity	Sorority
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Phi Sig 215	Sigma Kappa 151
AKL 188	Delta Zeta 55
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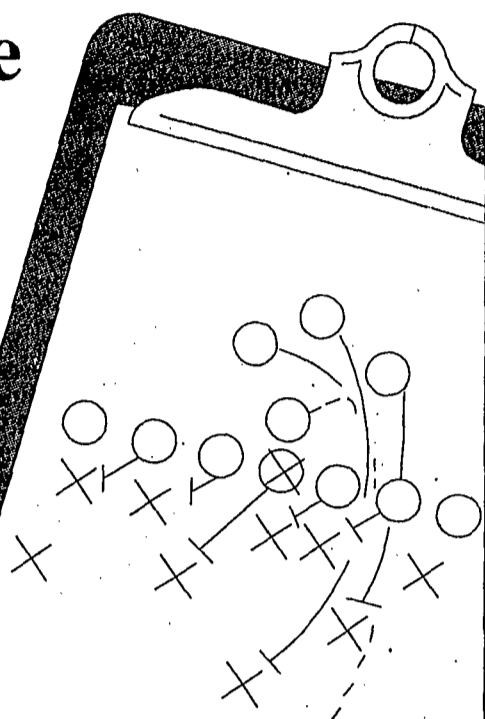
Diann Davis, senior middle hitter, spikes the ball in Tuesday's practice. The Bearcats lost to Missouri Western, 6-15, 8-15, 15-17, Wednesday. Davis recorded four blocks in the conference matchup.

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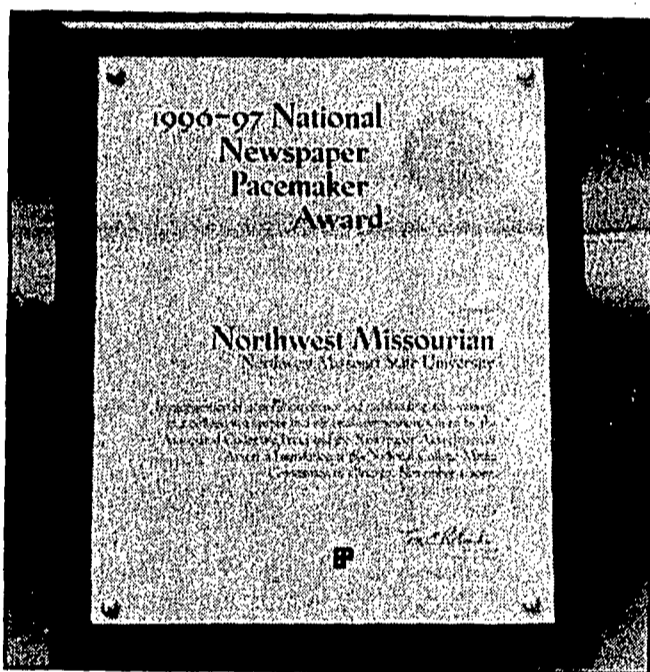
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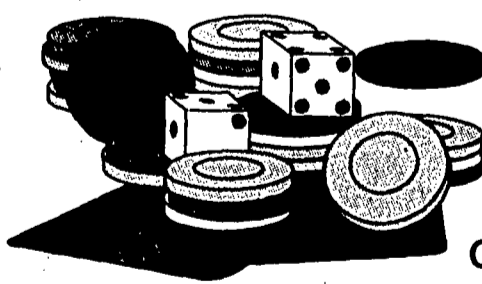
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Speaking out: Sigma Sigma Sigma sponsors 3rd annual silent walk

Story by
Brian Starkey
and Heather Butler

Type the word, MISSING, he said. I kept repeating to myself: 'This can't be true.' She is just late, not MISSING. Yet, even at that very moment, unknown to all of us, Stephanie was going to be missing for the rest of our lives."

These words echoed through the mind of Stephanie Schmidt's father, Gene, two days before her 20th birthday, July 2, 1993.

Stephanie was murdered and raped by a restaurant co-worker who was on an early release program from prison after raping another female. Stephanie had no prior knowledge of his history because laws at the time protected criminals from revealing their pasts.

Awareness may have prevented Stephanie's death. The only mistake she made was to accept a ride from a friend, and co-worker, whose violent past was kept silent — a silence that left Stephanie fatally unaware.

After finding her body 27 days later, Stephanie's family Gene, Peggy, her mother, and Jeni, her sister, refused to allow the silence to remain. The day after Stephanie was buried, the Schmidt's formed a task force.

Since Stephanie's death, her family has passed six major bills in Kansas and testified on the federal level regarding sex-offender registration and sexual predator laws. They continue to work to change laws and attitudes and to restore common sense in the judicial system.

"We cannot continue to hide the criminal's past and assume that his punishment and incarceration have rehabilitated him," Gene said. "Nor can we continue to release known violent offenders back into our society without public notification."

In addition to speaking on awareness and legal issues, the family began The Stephanie Schmidt Foundation and founded a S.O.S. (Speak Out for Stephanie) Chapter at Pittsburg State University.

Less than one year after Stephanie's death, the foundation put into effect the Stephanie Schmidt Sexual Predator Act and made it a law.

Since Stephanie's death, The Stephanie Schmidt Foundation that was started in Pittsburg State is supported at Northwest.

The S.O.S. Chapter at Northwest will sponsor the third annual Silent Walk Nov. 12 around campus to protest violent crime, sexual assault and rape. The walk will begin with guest speakers at 7:45 p.m. Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia members will sing at the event.

The S.O.S. Chapter was founded at Northwest through the local Sigma Sigma Sigma chapter, because of the untimely death of a member, Karen Hawkins.

Hawkins was last seen April 21, 1996. A miss-



ABOVE: Women of Sigma Sigma Sigma participate in the first Silent Walk for the S.O.S. Foundation in 1995. The walk had about 500 participants; 1,000 on Nov. 12

ing persons report was filed after Hawkins had not returned home after driving Dennis Jones, a friend and co-worker, home. Later that evening, Jones revealed to Maryville Public Safety that he had assaulted Hawkins to the point of death and had disposed of her body in the 102 River.

"There was much pain and suffering not only in our Sigma Chapter, but throughout campus as well," said Kerry Wells, Tri Sigma member. "Bringing an S.O.S. Chapter to Northwest was extremely important to keep Karen's memory alive and to give comfort to those that were tormented by such horrendous crimes."

The walk, and everything it symbolizes, gives those involved a gratifying feeling.

"When we were asked last year to sing at the walk, we were extremely honored," said Dave Catherall, Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia member. "We wanted to perform something difficult and special because of what the walk represents."

Everyone is encouraged to participate in the walk regardless of their affiliation.

"Personally, I believe that it is an honor to be involved because of everything that the Schmidt's have accomplished," said Heather Cutler, education director for Tri Sigma. "The walk is free, so I encourage everyone to attend."

The Schmidt's, and everyone who speaks out for Stephanie, continue their quest for vigilance to change laws, attitudes and lives.

are expected. RIGHT: Members of Tri Sigma gather after the second annual silent walk. They found support from their sisterhood while remembering Karen Hawkins.

Laws affected by S.O.S.

Aug. 4, 1993 — The Stephanie Schmidt Task Force was formed. By November, five legislative bills were drafted regarding repeat sex offenders.

April 9, 1994 — Only nine months after her death, The Stephanie Schmidt Sexual Predator Act became a retroactive law to all Kansas sex offenders.

May 5, 1994 — All other bills are signed by Gov. Finney. The Sex-Offender Registration Act allowed for the public release of registered sex offenders names; increased sentencing time for second time offenders; and changed falsification of information by a sex offender from a misdemeanor to a felony.

March 2, 1996 — The Kansas Supreme Court struck down the Sexual Predator Act as unconstitutional because the act used the words "mental abnormality" instead of "mental illness." The decision has been appealed to the U.S. Supreme Court.

April 6, 1996 — The Kansas Supreme Court upheld the constitutionality of the Sex Offender Registration law with public access to the information. Newspapers are encouraged to print the information regarding the released sex offenders who have had to register since April of 1994.

June 23, 1997 — The U.S. Supreme Court upheld the Stephanie Schmidt Sexual Predator Law. Thirty-three states immediately file for similar legislation. Information compiled by The Stephanie Schmidt Foundation.



S.O.S. Pledge

I promise to never be silent whenever human beings endure suffering and humiliation. I will always take sides, because I know that neutrality only helps the oppressor, never the victim.

I will Speak Out because I know that silence only encourages the tormentor, never the tormented. I will interfere when human lives are endangered or when human dignity is in jeopardy.

I will Speak Out. I am only one, but still I am one. I cannot do everything, but still I can do something. And because I cannot do everything, I will not refuse to do the something that I can do.

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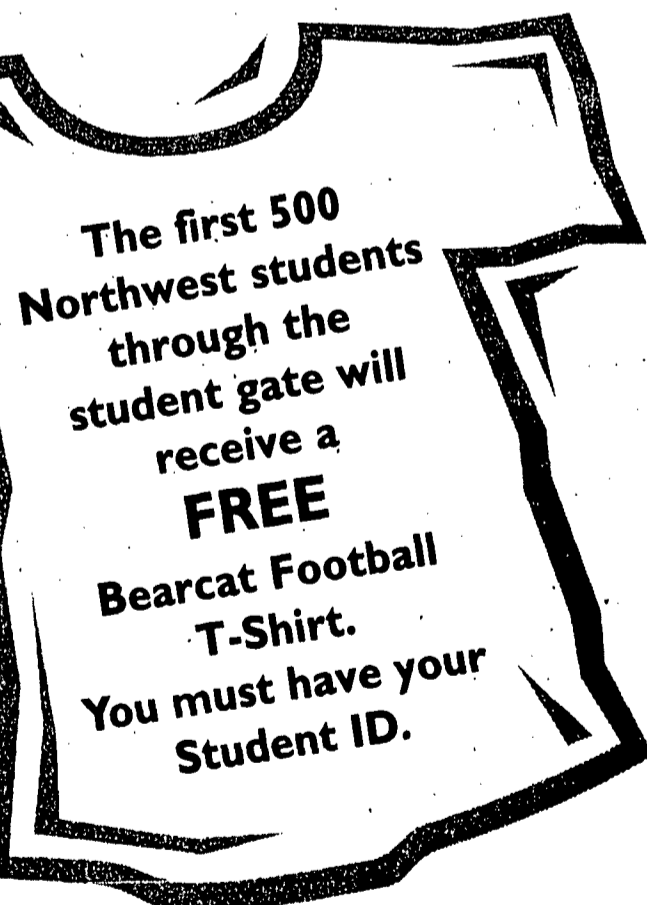
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The Stroller

Columnist's humor isn't funny



The Stroller

Your Man distinguishes between facts, fiction in local editorial

I just wanted to apologize for the quality of last week's article, it was bad. I wrote it, submitted it to the editor and hoped nothing would be cut. But much like 2 Live Crew, I was censored. They feel I should cool things down a little bit. I think the only thing that should cool down is the weather, so I see no reason why I can't stir up a little heat.

Another person stirring up a little bit a heat is Tate Sinclair, a *Maryville Daily Forum* writer. For those of you that didn't even know that Maryville had a daily paper, I'll bring you up to date. For you, Tate, here is your 15 minutes of fame; so grab your scissors and add this one to your scrapbook.

Sinclair's article starts off by saying that only the administration and staff of Northwest recognize the symbiotic (both parties serve each other equally) relationship between Maryville and the University. If you haven't noticed, the administration and staff of Northwest are permanent inhabitants of Maryville, making the relationship self-serving, which is far from symbiotic. In fact, the relationship between the students and Maryville is extremely parasitic. Look at it this way, students are visitors to Maryville. Let's call them vacationers here for eight months out of the year to learn and have fun. We drop all of our hard earned money, our parent's money and the government's money, back into a community that we essentially don't belong to. Despite the abundance of industry in Maryville, if the school would close today, Maryville would die a slow death. Students could survive without Maryville, making the relationship one sided or parasitic. The average student needs roughly \$10,385 to survive, and not lavishly, one year at Northwest. There are approximately 6,200 students attending Northwest. The students alone generate \$64,387,000 to Maryville's commerce. Take that away from the 'Ville and see what would happen. Many businesses do offer valuable services and sometimes kickbacks, but the relationship is not symbiotic.

Sinclair also expressed his disgust for the communications department at Northwest. He said, "The Stroller is an anonymous columnist who can shoot his (or her) mouth off without fear of retribution. Each week, along with ridiculing the Greek system, the Stroller takes cheap shots at Maryville, anytime he can." This job is not free from retribution. I, along with other Stroller suspects, have been threatened not only physically, but verbally and electronically (e-mail). Yes, I have poked fun at Northwest and the Greek system, which I happen to be part of both. But I have never taken "a cheap shot" at Maryville — I've read every article, I should know. The Stroller is not meant to be accurate, it's meant to be amusing. If you want to read something constructive, do the

crossword puzzle to the right.

Sinclair goes to the other side of the communications department and criticizes "Maryville Tonight's" host Chris Stigall. Sinclair said, "Chris Stigall is nothing but a high school ham and loudmouth, that has never grown up." Sinclair, why such a low blow? Even I haven't picked one person out and just ridiculed them.

Sinclair also goes on to stick up for the construction workers on campus. He said, "Those men are out there working every day in tunnels and holes most college students are scared to go around, let alone spend a day digging. What does Chris, the host, do? Why he ridicules them for being stupid and lazy."

Yes, reread that last sentence, there's a typo and it's exactly the way it appeared in the *Forum*. Tate, you should have had someone proofread your articles, especially when you are criticizing someone for being stupid and lazy.

By the way Sinclair, it is not only our right, but our duty to criticize those construction workers because they work for us. They have given us completion dates which have not been met. For students who have a classroom that is near a construction crew, you know that they are not working to their full potential. And Sinclair, the reason we are in college is so we don't have to dig holes and tunnels. He also points out that the workers will do more work while in Maryville than Stigall will ever do.

You know Sinclair, if you look at it in a physics perspective, you're right. Work equals force multiplied by mass. Chris only pushes pens as opposed to those heavy steam pipes. Yes Stigall, I am sticking up for you. The condom joke in front of the Eugene Field student was in poor taste, but you never claimed to have taste.

The part that bothered me the most about Sinclair's little article was his statement, "I'm all for free speech, and if the University wants to give these people this kind of power, that's their choice." Sinclair, you should know that it's not the University that gives us the power, just as it's not Maryville that gives you the power to publish your opinions — it's the Constitution.

Sinclair, you must realize there's a huge difference in what Chris and I do and what you have written. What we do is satirical and meant to be entertaining. You have done nothing but criticize the University, that you once attended, in a harsh way. I tried to be nice in this article, but I hope Chris Stigall does not treat this the same way. I can't wait to see the next "Maryville Tonight." Give 'em hell, Chris.

The Stroller has been a tradition at Northwest since 1918 and does not reflect the views of the *Missourian*.

Weekly Crossword

ACROSS

1. Pianist Peterson
6. Short race
10. Very, in Versailles
14. Fole gras source
15. Double-reed instrument
16. Delicate
17. Home of the Barbary apes (3 words.)
20. Airline

schedule abbr.

21. Fume
22. Manitoba Indians
23. Dichin of music
24. Bankrupt
25. Emulates the waiting
28. Tardy
31. Resin color
32. Broadway's Auntie

33. Bond rating

35. Lode's locale
36. ____ Texas
37. Pivotal point
38. Complete
39. Countenance
40. Metaphysical poet of fame
41. Century components
44. Believes
45. Hockey great Bobby
46. Small store
47. Richard's second-

In-command

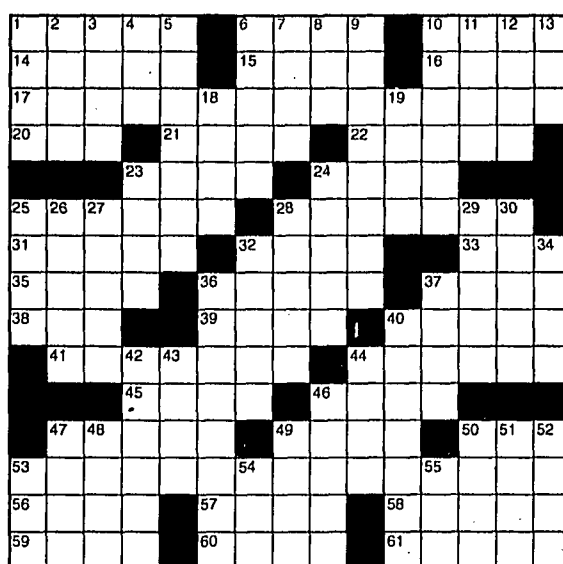
49. Defrost
50. Letter after sigma
53. Traits
56. Type of novel
57. Kin of lettuce and dough
58. Chilling
59. Certain
60. Seethe
61. Dog and bob

DOWN

1. Hobgoblin
2. Coal dust
3. Caesar's sidekick, once
4. "Go Alice"
5. New supply
6. ____ bag (restaurant leftovers)
7. Lover of an Irish Rose
8. ____ sister
9. Symbol of strength
10. Knack
11. Extreme function, e.g.
12. Periods in history
13. Hafez al-Assad's nation (abbr.)

Answers to last issue's puzzle

MOAN	FLO	BIKES
OHIO	REAP	IRATE
WALT	YORE	GALEN
ERE	TIN	DOO
RED	DENS	DREW
RAG	CLARINET	
ANVIL	CHIT	NEAR
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TOLERANT	POE	
DING	HURRIES	
NAB	SKI	ONO
IRANI	NAST	USER
COLON	GLEE	SECT
EWING	FOR	ANTS



18. Short-lived money makers
19. Concert solo
23. Never Give a Sucker A Break
24. Invoice word
25. Surfboard support
26. Correct
27. Stomach
28. Reveals
29. Makes money
30. Intimidate
32. Actress King
34. Chopping tools
36. Yale products
37. Clever accomplishments
40. Nods off
42. Twitters
43. Special air
44. Siamese
46. Kate, e.g.
47. Evade
48. Bloodless
49. At a distance: prefix
50. Exhaust
51. It reddens blue litmus paper
52. Apples
53. Sgt., e.g.
54. Make edging
55. Midwestern hill



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City makes final street decisions

Council narrows its choices to 1 permanent, 4 asphalt overlays of maintenance project

by Nicole Fuller
Assignment Director

After careful consideration and discussion, Maryville City Council members made the final choice in the 1998 permanent and asphalt overlay street projects Monday.

They narrowed the final decision of the permanent street project to East Thompson Street. It will consist of nine blocks from South Vine Street to South Laura Street. They are hoping to be able to finish at least six blocks completely, and the other three will be finished depending on the cost.

"This will give us an opportunity to do a lot of blocks in a straight line which should mean we should get a lot of bang for our buck," mayor Bridget Brown said. "This is a street in grave need of repair and has been for a long time. And it is one of our biggest challenges in storm drainage."

The Council budgeted \$350,000 for the 1998 permanent street project. The East Thompson project is expected to cost around \$447,000.

For the asphalt overlay project they decided on East Jenkins Street, from South Vine Street to South Laura Street; the Sunset addition, Walnut Street, from West 12th to Lincoln streets; and Prather Avenue, from West 12th Street to North College Drive.

When the Council planned the budget, they included \$40,000 for storm water maintenance work.

Members decided since they have to do storm water maintenance on the new permanent street project, they would, if necessary, use some of the money toward that project; city manager David Angerer said.

"It is OK to take some (money), but not all," Angerer said. "We need to mix some of it with permanent street project (money) since we do some storm water on the permanent already."

The Council believes they could use about \$25,000 out of the \$40,000 budgeted. They will not know how much they will have to use until the bid comes back. Then Council members will determine how much they will need, Angerer said.

"After the meeting Monday night, first thing Tuesday morning, they called up the engineer," Angerer said. "The engineer can probably have it designed in four to six weeks."

After the designs are made, they will then put it up to bid for contractors. The Council is expecting this in early to mid-winter.

Brown said choosing which streets need improvement the most is not an easy thing.

"I think that there is not a person on City Council that would not like to see us do every street right now and therefore it makes it difficult to make these kind of decisions," Brown said. "I am very pleased that we will look at that project, and I am hopeful that by having engineering completed on the entire length of Thompson (Street) we can be much more accurate in how we can complete that project."

Celebration of Quality



University President Dean Hubbard (above) accepts the Missouri Quality Award from Gov. Mel Carnahan at the awards banquet Wednesday night in Jefferson City, Northwest Celebration (right) performs at the awards banquet to support the University.

Chris Gallitz/
Contributing Photographer



Awards banquet honors University's journey of excellence

by Jamie Hatz
Editor in Chief

It was a typical awards ceremony until they announced Northwest as the winner of the 1997 Missouri Quality Award for education — then Bearcat spirit filled the banquet room.

Noise makers, Bearcat cheerleaders along with Bobby Bearcat, Northwest Celebration and almost 300 students, administrators, faculty and staff uniquely accepted the award that ended our journey to quality.

"It is a marvelous feeling and enormous sense of pride," University President Dean Hubbard said. "I realize, and everyone else realizes, that this is not an individual award. You don't win this award unless everybody at the institution pulls together."

Northwest's greatest milestone was presented at the Missouri Quality Awards Presentation Banquet Wednesday night in Jefferson City.

The turnout made the event memorable for the University and the students.

"I never want to do something like this without students, because they make the difference out of a deal like this," Hubbard said. "They are the reason we do this."

The award, presented by Gov. Mel Carnahan, recognizes Missouri organizations that achieve excellence.

"I think all of the procedures, guidelines and suggestions involved in the quality movement has a wonderful affect on businesses and government," Carnahan said. "There is a great need for this type of award in the academic field and this is the second University to be recognized."

Quality is familiar to Carnahan and the University.

"There is just a huge amount of activity that goes on on campus in order to get this award," Carnahan said. "I think there will be benefits at Northwest Missouri State University for years to come from the effort that has already been put out, and there will be additional benefits from the new application."

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Quality is a vision Hubbard established at Northwest.

"To have a quality institution everybody in the organization has to get up every morning and say what can I do to improve my part in this organization today?" Hubbard said. "That is what continuous quality is all about."

Continuous quality helps Northwest become recognized throughout the state.

"I think that it shows that at Northwest we truly do care about what we are doing and how we go about doing it," said Danny Marsh, president of the Board of Regents. "It is great to have the recognition, but the real winner is not Northwest. I think the real winner is the state of Missouri and the people who chose to come to our school."

The Award process offers a thorough and objective educational opportunity to learn and apply quality.

"The Missouri state award process is one of the premier award processes in the country," said John Jasinski, mass communications department chairman. "I am not biased either. I'd say it is in the top two or three, which means that it holds its organizations up to levels that are very high. It is why top organizations achieve excellence."

Excellence for this award does not happen overnight. Northwest has strived for this award for a long time.

"I saw Dr. Foster, our former president, and I thanked him because we need roots to win awards like this," Jasinski said. "We didn't start five or 10 years ago; people have been here for a long time. They didn't call it quality but they cared about the institution. They cared about the students. It is not about one person — it's about everyone."

Carnahan believes Northwest and the Missouri Quality Award are truly trendsetters.

"Other states are trying to pick up on this, but we are right at the head of the pack," Carnahan said. "We are one of the first to recognize our institution."

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Colden Hall will be finished by December

Building renovations bring new highlights to benefit student, faculty

by Burton Taylor
Missourian Staff

Renovations to Colden Hall are coming to a close with a completion date set for December.

The building will now be equipped with new features to benefit the students and faculty.

Randy Sharp, project manager of CPMI construction company, is in charge of all renovations in Colden Hall.

The renovations were originally supposed to cost about \$6.6 million, but will end up costing approximately \$7.2 million.

"From my understanding, the funds were collected from taxes paid on gambling and lottery proceeds," said Sharp.

The extra \$600,000 came from a grant given to Northwest from the Service Master Custodial Contractors. The other \$150,000 came from the campus budget, but according to Sharp the costs will have no effect on student tuition.

The project started in February of 1996, and in almost two years it has been gutted and equipped with many new highlights.

The first floor of Colden Hall will have computer-intensive classrooms including labs and lecture rooms. It will also have two distance learning rooms where students will be able to join other classes from around the country.

The second floor will consist of 82 faculty offices which will be filled with instructors from all over campus who had been moved from Colden Hall when the building was closed.

The instructors removed from Colden Hall currently have offices in other buildings such as Perrin and Colbert halls. They are scheduled to move back into Colden Hall after the semester break, even though some professors are not looking forward to the move.

"It is really an ordeal to move back. The offices in Perrin Hall are a lot nicer and have more space," English professor Mike Jewett said. "Besides, I enjoy walking around campus to get to my classes."

On the third floor of Colden Hall are 15 new classrooms, one lecture room with a capacity of 120 students and three conference rooms.

"We basically took the building and gutted it, tearing out everything from the ceilings to the concrete floors and then built it back," Sharp said.

One great feature according to Sharp is the old building used to have

only one handicap entrance, and will now be equipped with four, along with a new monumental central staircase to make getting to class a bit quicker.

Aside from having new walls, carpet and paint, CPMI also put in a new heating and cooling system.

The building now has fresh electrical wiring, all asbestos has been removed and an up-to-date sprinkler and fire alarm system was installed.

"We have been on a tight schedule and have had our share of problems," Sharp said. "But working on campus has been great."

Sharp said all of the work has been fairly quiet and done without really interfering with the students too much.

"Colden is like a little island," Sharp said. "You put some fencing around it, and we are totally isolated without getting in the way."

Some guests and alumni during Homecoming thought the building would be completed, Ray Courter, vice president of finance, is more than ready for the completion of the building as well.

"Everything should be up and running for the spring semester," Courter said.

"We basically took the building and gutted it, tearing out everything from the ceilings to the concrete floors and then built it back."

■ Randy Sharp,
project manager of CPMI
construction company

Choices that affect the rest of your life

AIDS presentation brings awareness

by Mark Hornickel
Chief Reporter

Students learned the consequences of some choices can change the rest of their lives Tuesday evening.

Joel Goldman and T.J. Sullivan presented "Friendship in the Age of AIDS" in two performances at the Charles Johnson Theater.

The pair wanted to make the audience realize the disease can happen to anyone, but there is also a lot that can be done to fight it.

"I think a lot of college students don't think of this as an issue that affects them," Sullivan said. "It's our generation's Vietnam and we have to fight it."

The presentation began with a video about the AIDS quilt that was recently put on display in Washington, D.C.

Eventually, Sullivan introduced himself and told the story of his early days at college.

He talked of the first day he arrived as a college freshman and how he met Goldman. Sullivan described him as one of the members of the "perky squad," one of the people who try to convince new students to sign up for every organization on the campus.

Goldman was a senior and he had come from a strong family, and he was the president of his fraternity.

The pair became good friends, but something that neither of them expected happened — one became infected with the HIV virus.

Goldman moved to Chicago after college, but he continued to live the same life as he did in college — one that included a mixture of alcohol and promiscuity.

He even took an AIDS test, but it came out negative. Still, it served as a warning.

Goldman later returned to Indiana as the director of chapter services at his fraternity's headquarters. He was promoted twice and he was living a healthy life.

Then, five summers ago, Goldman started feeling sick. He didn't understand; he hadn't been drinking and he had been practicing safe sex. Still, he had the symptoms of HIV and his doctor suggested a blood test.

Although the results had previously been negative, it takes three weeks to six months for the antibodies to develop.

When the results came back, Goldman was diagnosed as HIV-positive.

He and his doctor spent the next 90 minutes discussing how to cope and how to fight the disease.

"My life began to spin out of control," Goldman said.

Then he watched the movie "Wall Street." Goldman said the main character's life was crashing down much like his was, and there was a part in the movie that put it in perspective for him.



Tim Kay/Chief Photographer
Joel Goldman speaks about his experiences with AIDS Tuesday night at the Charles Johnson Theater.

"That to me was, you get put in a bad situation," Goldman said. "You're facing the worst thing you could possibly face in your life and who you are depends on how you deal with it."

Goldman decided he could deal with the virus by teaching others about it.

First of all, he needed to call his family, co-workers, fraternity brothers and friends.

Goldman said he also tried to get

See FRIENDSHIP, page 3

Our View

OF THE UNIVERSITY

'Cats expect support for last home stand

The Northwest football team needs fans and needs them now.

Even with the pathetic crowd showing Saturday against Central Missouri State University, the team played a great game. But if the crowd support had been there, who knows what the game could have been like.

The Bearcats are rated No. 4 in the nation. Yet by the looks of the crowd, we looked like we weren't even ranked in Division II.

What is going on? We would understand if it was the week after Homecoming, or if we had a terrible team, but neither of those are true.

You, the fans, especially the students, will have a chance to redeem yourselves Saturday when the 'Cats take the home field against bitter rival Truman State University in the Hickory Stick game.

This will be the final regular season game for 11 seniors. Many of them played on the 1994 team which suffered an 0-11 mark.

Wouldn't it be a great touch for the players to go out with a perfect mark season? Well, it can only happen if they get the crowd support they deserve.

Some of the players were thinking on the sidelines last Saturday, "Didn't

we beat Pitt State the week before?" It looked to them as though they had lost the week before and had nothing to play for.

So wear layers of clothing if you think it's too cold or bring your umbrellas if you think it might rain; because true fans show up rain or shine.

The 'Cats have earned the right to expect fans to show up and watch them dismantle opponents. Now, they need students to show their support.

Why not paint your bodies green and white for the contest to show your true school colors?

Defensive coordinator Scott Bostwick said "We need the fans to come out in their green and make some noise."

The 'Cats need bizarre fans. Heck, the Bearcats just need fans. There is no need for the stands to be empty when you have a great product on the field.

The students disgraced the team last week, and this is your chance to make it up to them.

The Bearcats need to start filling the seats. So when the postseason comes a calling, the NCAA may not reward the home field to the 'Cats because Northwest will not make the NCAA enough money.

My Turn

Take advantage of time while you still have it



Nicole Fuller

Most people never think about death until it happens to someone they know or someone close to them.

I didn't realize how it could make a person analyze life. I was scared that someone very dear to me could just leave me at any moment.

The strangest thing happened to me just about two weeks ago.

One night at Wells Hall, two friends and myself were working on homework around midnight. The three of us started talking about people who have died in our family, and how many grandparents we had that were still alive.

When I said I had all four of them still with me, it dawned on me that I had not experienced a death of a grandparent.

I had only gone through the death of my great grandma while I was in elementary school. I was really close to her, so it made it hard to see her pass on. It made me very sad, but I had yet to experience the death of anyone in my immediate family.

I didn't really think anything else of the conversation we had until two weeks later when I got a phone call. It was from my best friend and she told me I needed to call home right away.

This made me nervous, and I asked her why. She just kept telling me to call home. I yelled at her and asked her why. She then proceeded to tell me that my grandpa had died. The only problem was that she forgot to tell me which grandpa.

I broke down in tears. I had a horrible time dialing my phone number at home. My dad answered the phone, and I asked him if there was something he needed to tell me.

He then told me that my Grandpa

Darmond, his father, had died. I took a deep breath. He asked me what was wrong and I told him I didn't know which grandpa it was. When I here grandpa I think of my Grandpa Max, because I usually just call him grandpa and the other one Grandpa Darmond.

The strangest thing about my Grandpa Darmond's death is that I am sad, but not in the mourning sense. I am more sad because I really did not know the man that I called grandpa. He was never around in my life when I was growing up. I think the hardest part of the funeral was knowing that I could never change anything because he was no longer there.

I also realized how hard it will be on me when my Grandpa Max does pass away, because he is very dear to me and I love him.

Another thing that crossed my mind about dying is the fact that I am two hours away from home. If something were to happen to my grandparents or my parents, I wouldn't be able to be there. I would lose the opportunity to say good-bye or see them again before they passed on. It would be the hardest thing to face.

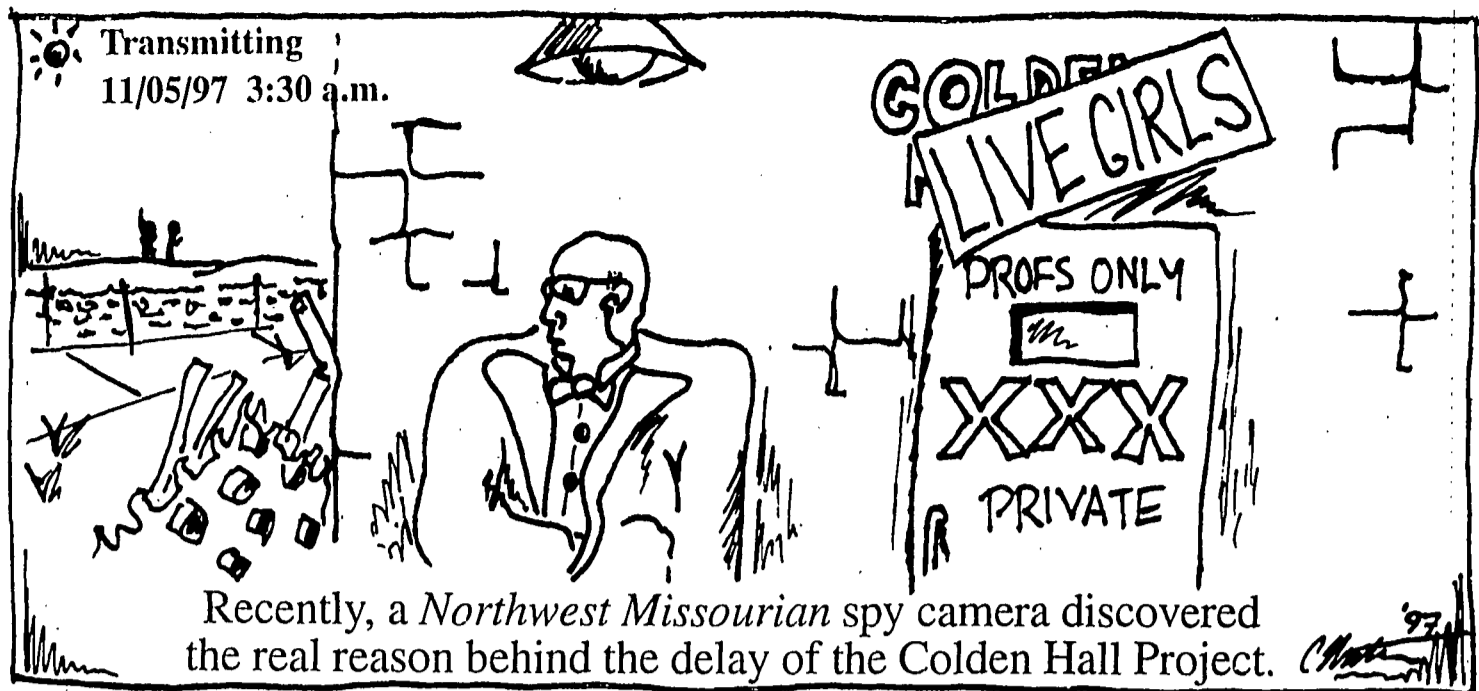
One thing that I do not fear is dying. Everyone is going to die and if it is my time, then it is my time to die. You cannot predict how long of a life one will live.

I did not spend a lot of my life knowing my Grandpa Darmond. I hope I can utilize every chance I have to talk to and visit with my grandparents. I will never know if I will get the chance to see them again, being away at college.

Sometimes in life one must stop and appreciate what they have and not just look to what they don't have.

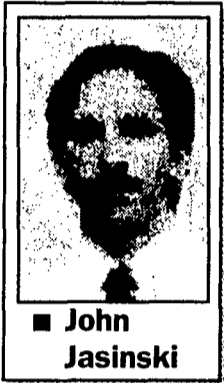
If I would look to what I don't have I would be no where in life. I look to the love that both my parents and grandparents give me.

Nicole Fuller is the assignment director for the Northwest Missourian.



University View

Why Northwest won the Quality Award



John Jasinski

University, community contribute to historic event

The Missouri Quality Award is a representative of a high performing organization at a variety of levels. Northwest has so many positives, and there are so many reasons we won the Missouri Quality Award.

Here are a few:

■ The best students around.

■ Environmental Service workers making this the most beautiful campus around.

■ Horace Mann teachers giving their all for our children.

■ Bobby Bearcat being Bobby Bearcat.

■ The Alumni House and its warm, friendly people.

■ Admissions folks — they pump out the work.

■ Coach Tjeerdsmma and staff molding a team into greatness.

■ The Ag farm, Scott and Alex.

■ Academic technology.

■ Orange construction fences meaning aggressive progress in our infrastructure.

■ General education faculty caring deeply about what they do.

■ Student Ambassadors.

■ Marla in mass communication — always putting forth the extra effort.

■ Wanda Auffert and company — always ahead of us on bid purchases.

■ Computer Services — so many requests, so little time.

■ Ray Courter and his unbelievable tenacity on projects.

■ The Faculty Senate and Support Staff Council — these people care.

■ Our regional partnerships.

■ John Nielsen and folks — too many electrical projects.

■ University web sites.

■ Cross country and tennis excellence.

■ Del Morley and company — student financial assistance — ever a quiet time?

■ Marolyn Alloway — computer program supreme.

■ Green Tower Press.

■ Custodians who work behind the scenes to make our workplace healthy and attractive.

■ Super majors and minors, academic departments, chairs and deans.

■ The Noontime Basketball Association — hey these players have to be mentioned somewhere.

■ Registrar's office — somebody has to keep track of student progress.

■ ARAMARK — great food by great people.

■ Larry Cady and the transportation folks — wouldn't you like to drive a Bearcat Bus?

■ An excellent library.

■ Coach Tappmeyer yanking his coat off 30 seconds into a 11:00 department chair.

ballgame.

■ Ron Heller delivering anything — man, what a workhorse.

■ The staff within payroll, encumbrance, etc. — hey we all need the money.

■ CAPS events.

■ The rec center.

■ Student Services Center — what did we do without it?

■ All of our student organizations — time and effort worthwhile.

■ The town of Maryville — an excellent home base.

■ Our retired faculty and staff — they set the building blocks.

■ An excellent provost — thanks Tim.

■ President Hubbard's constancy of purpose.

■ My wife and kids — support, support, support.

All those not mentioned — you all make Northwest special.

The Missouri Quality Award would not be possible without the perseverance of everyone in the Northwest family. The individuals, offices, activities and buildings listed above are some of those I come in contact with on a regular basis. My salute goes to everyone — thank you for contributing to a truly historic institutional event.

John Jasinski is the mass communication department chair.

My Turn

Need for reassurance comes back around



Jacob DiPietro

Mom continues support, comfort

I will always remember my first day of kindergarten. I was, at that point, an only child and always played with either the children in the neighborhood or my mom. I had no experience with being away from my mother or kids I didn't know — I was a mama's boy.

Well, needless to say the night before my first day of school, I couldn't sleep.

I was worried and intimidated about the next day's events. I remember crawling out of my bed, going into my parent's room and telling my mother I couldn't sleep because I had a bad dream.

It was a complete lie — but she didn't get mad or send me back to bed or give a few words of reassurance that it was just a dream.

Instead, she got up with me. We went downstairs and she explained all the fun I was going to have the next day.

I remember looking in her eyes and feeling completely at peace. She has a knack for reassuring me no matter how uncertain I feel. I calmed down and she spread a comforter on the living room floor and slept next to me.

The next day, I was nervous. So nervous, I didn't let my mom leave for most of the day. But after a while, I looked in her eyes and thought I could let her go.

Fast forward 12 years. My mom and I were traveling U.S. 71 to start my college career.

I was not nervous, and I didn't have trouble sleeping the night

before. I didn't need my mom to stay the day with me like before. In fact, part of me wanted her to leave.

But I realized it was my turn to calm and reassure her. For the first time, I was starting something new and I didn't need my mother to guide me through it. The roles were somewhat changed. I found myself comforting her. I told her I would be fine, it would be fun and I would make new friends.

Even to this day, halfway through my second year of college, I still wonder how my mom is feeling. Her eyes still comfort me, but now I know that I can do the same for her.

Jacob DiPietro is the University news editor for the Northwest Missourian.

Letter to the Editor

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Student gives thanks

Dear Editor,

Sometimes we get caught up in recognizing only the bad parts of our community. I would like everyone to know that there are good people, especially in Maryville.

Last Wednesday, the house I share with two roommates suffered a fire. The house has little damage and ev-

eryone is safe. The support I have received from neighbors and friends has been tremendous.

First, I would like to thank the Red Cross for all of their help. Two girls who live next door, were there to lend me their phone and support. The neighbors across the street were also wonderful.

I had not yet met them, but they were great. Everyone was quick to

offer help. I would like to thank the guys of South Newton Street for allowing me to crash on their couch and for putting up with me.

Also a big thanks to my friend Chad for all of his support. Most of all, I would like to thank the fire fighters. They responded quickly and did a fabulous job of controlling the fire.

Thank you to everyone.

Cat Eldridge

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It's Your Turn

Why is the Citywide cleanup beneficial?



"It gives Maryville a more pleasant appearance and atmosphere."

Derek Berdine, Hy-Vee Sub Shop



"It helps people clean out their garage, so they can put their cars in them for the winter."

Dave Sears, contractor



"It promotes everyone to keep the city clean.. When Maryville is clean it attracts people."

John McClurg, Sprint worker



"If Maryville is clean it helps attract new people and keeps us healthy."

Lisa Hatch, Northwest student



"It helps so people don't have to look at everyone's trash."

Laura Giese, home school student



"It beautifies the town and makes visitors want to come back."

Alicia Tobin, Wal-Mart greeter



photo courtesy of Kurt Haberyan

Kurt Haberyan and University of Tennessee faculty and students studied 27 different lakes throughout Costa Rica. Haberyan spent close to a month during June and July in the country. The research enabled him to bring back real-life examples to the classroom.

Professor conducts research abroad

by Stephanie Zellstra
Assistant News Editor

Most teachers would not be found traipsing through Costa Rica, avoiding poisonous snakes and working for *National Geographic* during their summers, but a Northwest professor did just that.

Kurt Haberyan, professor of biological sciences, spent a month during the summer in Costa Rica traveling the untamed countryside in search of lakes, some of which had never been seen before.

"The lakes are so inaccessible," Haberyan said. "You feel that you are blazing trails. You almost feel like Indiana Jones chopping through the swamp to get to this one particular lake. You wonder why you do it, but it just works out. It's just a matter of dedication and stamina to get the job done. It is very rewarding."

National Geographic funded the three year study that focused on climatic changes and their effects on the environment, especially to animals and the earth. The University of Tennessee also participated in the trip.

Students will benefit from the research trip from real-life examples and

slides. However, the trip has taken a different meaning for Haberyan.

"The trip had a very indirect effect also," he said. "That is the stimulation of thinking, processing data and remembering what it is like to be a scientist again. Personally, it keeps me alive and stimulated in the lectures and it does provide some examples for the classroom."

Haberyan said that most professors keep up with their field by reading the latest information and research in journals and studies that have been done.

He is also happy with the response from the students because many have asked several questions. The research shows the students that there is more to science than just the books.

Some of the examples he will be able to use are on the ecosystems found in the 27 lakes the team studied. The group scanned the countryside using field maps from the 1950s, with some degree of success, and didn't en-

counter many life-threatening occurrences. They found that some of the lakes that were on the maps were no longer there for several different reasons.

"It is so challenging in the field to deal with the different food, the foreign land and culture," Haberyan said. "The roads were also a problem, locating the lakes and getting frustrated and trying to do some real solid science in underdeveloped conditions is challenging."

It was also very challenging for the scientists to conduct concrete research and deal with the cultural differences, especially in communication.

"The Costa Ricans were very friendly and helpful," Haberyan said. "In one case, a man showed us a lake that they didn't know existed."

Some of the more difficult and rigorous challenges the group faced was climbing a steep volcano with 30-pound backpacks in the pouring rain. The group also had to worry about 12 types of poisonous snakes.

The research was conducted during Costa Rica's wet season. Haberyan hopes to return during the dry season sometime in January or March if it is possible.

The research that the team collected included samples from the lakes and dirt deposits to test them. The research that will be conducted over the next several years will study the effects of globalization.

"It is so challenging in the field to deal with the foreign culture, locating the lakes and trying to do some solid science in underdeveloped conditions."

Kurt Haberyan,
University Biology
professor



Biology instructor spends part of summer studying lakes in Costa Rica

Alcohol tops Greek forum

by Stacy Young
Missourian Staff

Improving Greek life was the purpose of the All-Greek open forum and making it a non-alcoholic Greek life was among the topics of discussion last Thursday at the Northwest Conference Center.

The forum was directed by Mark Koepsell, St. Louis University's Greek life director, who gave members of Northwest's Greek organizations a chance to discuss the Select 2000 proposal.

Select 2000 is a program that some national fraternities are signing, saying they will strive for an alcohol-free environment.

"It's more than just a dry environment," said Jube Schley, secretary of Delta Sigma Phi fraternity. "2000 is about building the entire Greek system and making everyone a better person."

The dry housing policy that many college campuses have already alluded to was the first topic. Alcohol

would be forbidden at all Greek houses, which could result in chapter elimination from campus if violated.

"It's not so much Northwest demanding dry housing, but it's Greek nationals," said Bryan Vanosdale, director of campus activities. "This is what they are evolving to. It's like the domino effect — they hit one house and the rest will follow."

During his presentation, Koepsell announced that as of Jan. 1, Iowa State University will be a dry campus and housing university. It was a decision made by ISU's Panhellenic and Inter-Fraternity Council.

He also presented statistics revealing that 86 percent of men at fraternity houses are binge drinkers. The recent tragedies of alcohol-related deaths among college students at Massachusetts Institute of Technology and Louisiana State University have been two catalysts for the Greek nationals' changes.

"Alcohol is not an evil thing," Koepsell said. "It's when we don't

respect it (that) it causes problems."

Some Northwest fraternity members did express concern that new member numbers might decline in the future with a dry housing policy.

"Substance-free housing might initially hurt Rush numbers," IFC president Kelly Ferguson said. "It's sad that alcohol seems so important."

To balance the problem, Koepsell encouraged fraternity members to focus more on recruiting the members they want to be a part of their brotherhood.

This is a practice Greeks do at SLU, and although it took some extra work, he said, Rush numbers there haven't suffered.

"Alcohol shouldn't be a focus during Rush," Vanosdale said. "It should be focused on things like brotherhood, academics, morals and philanthropic accomplishments."

Although Select 2000 hasn't officially affected Northwest, it could be on its way. Other colleges across the country are also considering this proposal.

Friendship

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in touch with anyone he had a sexual relationship with.

He succeeded in reaching seven people, one of whom had two children. Each of them were tested immediately and all the tests came back negative.

Sullivan received the phone call from his friend on a Friday afternoon, just as he was preparing to leave work — he was speechless.

"I just froze," Sullivan said. "I didn't say anything, and I just had to get the hell off the phone."

Sullivan told his friend he would call him that weekend, and he hung up the phone in his office just before breaking down. Sullivan never called Goldman that weekend.

The presentation continued with

a video showing college students' perspective of mixing alcohol with sex.

"Mixing alcohol with sex is dangerous," Sullivan said. "We're at the age now where we can put positive peer pressure on our friends to develop good behaviors that really save them down the line."

After the video, the duo went into a series, in which they gave out facts on AIDS, the four stages of drinking and how to prevent the AIDS virus.

Sullivan said 80 percent of the people infected with the AIDS virus are heterosexuals and 48 percent are women.

"It's not just a gay thing," Sullivan said. "It's an everybody thing."

The two began traveling in 1993. In the past four years, the pair have seen more than 350,000 students on almost 400 campuses.

Julie Norlen, vice president of pro-

gramming in Panhellenic Council, said an estimated 700 students and community members attended the event.

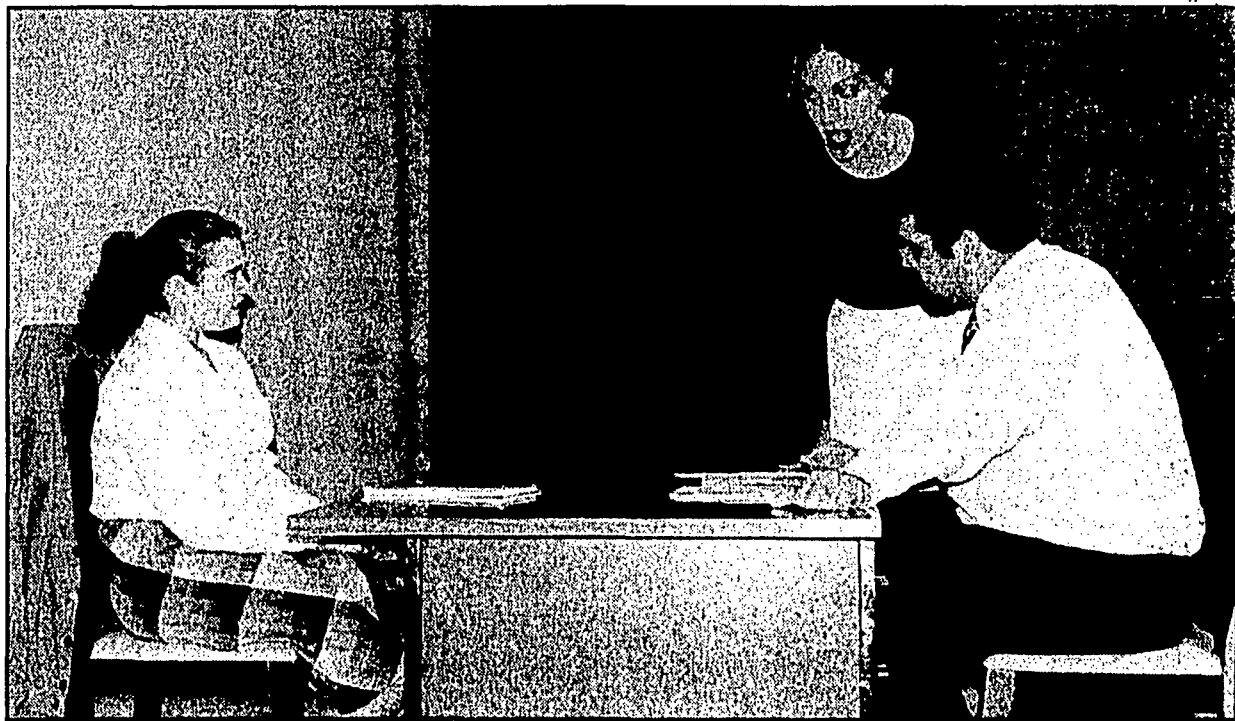
The program was based on Goldman's experiences as a fraternity member at Indiana University with drinking and sex. The program displayed the risks he took using comedy.

Goldman made a point that the AIDS virus is not like any other disease.

"It's not like heart disease," Goldman said. "It's something I got because of the choices I made."

Students can be tested for AIDS year-round at the Student Health Center for \$5.

The online version of the *Missourian* features audio bytes of Goldman and Sullivan and can be accessed at <http://www.nwmissouri.edu/missourian/>.



John Petrovic/Contributing Photographer

Stacy Sanchelli, Mary-Tina Vrehas and Jon Hickerson produced play that will be performed tonight and do a final run-through of "The Lesson," a student-Friday in conjunction with the play "Olianna."

Seniors direct theater Lab Series

■ One-act shows offer students experience on both sides of stage

by Mark Hornickel
Chief Reporter

The hard work and dedication of two senior theater students will help determine the success of a two-play Lab Series performance at 7:30 p.m. Thursday and Friday in the Charles Johnson Theater.

The student directors will present two different one-act plays, "The Lesson," directed by Jerry Nevins, government/theater/philosophy major, and "Olianna," directed by theater major Jennifer Farris.

"The Lesson" concerns the interaction between students and faculty, concerning the use of language.

"It's a power struggle on who controls the language," Nevins said. "It is sort of an exaggeration of a normal

In Brief

Theater production opens next week

The comedy play "Arsenic and Old Lace" opens at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 13, and runs through Sunday, Nov. 16, at the Mary Linn Performing Arts Center. The Sunday performance will be at 2 p.m. The play is directed by Charles Schultz.

Tickets are \$4 for students and faculty, \$5 for non-University students and \$6 for adults. They are available at the Student Services Center.

University conducts property auction

The University will be having a surplus property sale at 9 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 11, at the Northwest Support Service Building warehouse.

Items included in the sale are chairs, computer and office equipment, fluorescent light fixtures and bulbs, staging steps, platform risers, acoustical wall partitions, wooden shutters, carpet, bus seats, partial wrestling mats and vehicles.

There will be inspection times from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 10, and from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 11.

Chemistry teacher joins department

Before the fall semester, Rafiqul Islam joined the chemistry department as a new assistant professor. He teaches biochemistry and organic chemistry courses.

Islam researched in biochemistry and organic chemistry at St. Louis University for two years before joining Northwest's faculty.

He is originally from Bangladesh. Islam obtained a doctorate in biochemistry in 1991 at Kyushu University in Japan.

Conference shares financial solutions

Northwest, in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Education, will present a live, interactive teleconference from 7 to 7:45 p.m. on Nov. 10 called Financial Aid Night.

Northwest parents and students will have the opportunity to ask U.S. Secretary of Education Richard Riley questions concerning financial aid for college.

Financial aid experts will take phone calls during the program and answer questions sent by fax. There is no charge to attend the event and it is sponsored by the Northwest office of Financial Aid.

Planning Ahead

Thursday, Nov. 6

■ CLEP, GED and MAT tests, 8 a.m., Wells Hall

■ Lab Series, 7:30 p.m., Charles Johnson Theater

Friday, Nov. 7

■ CLEP, GED and MAT tests, 8 a.m., Wells Hall

■ Lab Series, 7:30 p.m., CJT

Saturday, Nov. 8

■ Bearcat football vs. Truman State, 1 p.m., Rickenbrode Stadium

■ PRAXIS testing, 7:30 a.m., Garrett-Strong

■ Women's Cross Country, Great Lakes Regional meet, Kenosha, Wis.

■ Men's Cross Country, Great Lakes Regional meet, Kenosha, Wis.

Monday, Nov. 10

■ Women's Basketball, Nebraska Sports All-Stars, 7:30 p.m., Bearcat Arena

■ Delta Zeta executive board, 7 p.m., Chapter Room

Tuesday, Nov. 11

■ Veteran's Day

■ Brahms Piano Student Recital

■ Sigma Kappa informal meeting, 5 p.m.

■ Delta Zeta meeting, 4:30 p.m., Valk 117

Wednesday, Nov. 12

■ Delta Zeta new member meeting, 4:30 p.m., Garrett-Strong 219

Basketball season begins next week

As the fall sports season is drawing to a close, basketball season is coming into focus.

The women's team will play an exhibition against the Nebraska Sports All-Stars at 7:30 p.m. Nov. 10 in Bearcat Arena. The women's first regular season games will be Nov. 14-15 at the William Jewell Tournament in Liberty.

The men's squad will take on the Benedictine College men to open their season Nov. 14 at Bearcat Arena. See next week's *Missourian* for a preview of the winter sports season.

Missourian receives top honor

Media association awards college paper as top 1 percent in nation

by JP Faris
Chief Reporter

The Northwest Missourian won the most prestigious award for college newspapers at the College Media Association Convention Nov. 1 in Chicago.

For the first time, the Missourian received a Pacemaker, an award given to the collegiate publications in the top 1 percent by the Associate Collegiate Press and the Newspaper Association of America Foundation.

Tom Rolnicki, executive director of the ACP, said it was "the college equivalent of a Pulitzer Prize."

In the past, the Missourian has been a finalist but has never won. Lonelle Rathje, editor in chief of the Pacemaker award-winning publication, said the type of people who worked on this newspaper were dif-

ferent from past staffs.

"I think it is a positive reflection of the talent we have in the mass communication department," she said. "The kind of journalist you see now is a new breed of journalist. They care deeply about what they're covering and getting it right."

Rathje believed the real turning point was when the Missourian began covering the community.

"We gained credibility through our coverage," she said. "When we went citywide in 1995, we really had a lot of people in the community rooting for us."

Reporting community news along with the campus was integral to the development of the publication.

"I think that covering the community makes it a strong paper," said Laura Widmer, student publications adviser. "We had solid coverage and good writing (on last year's paper). The photography was also very strong, especially in sports."

The Missourian competed against

nondaily college papers in the nation.

Four of the 10 Pacemaker winners are from Missouri: Missouri Southern State College, St. Louis University and Truman State University all received the honor with Northwest.

"The state of Missouri has always had solid programs," Widmer said. "Southern and St. Louis have always been strong, and Truman is up and coming."

Other Missouri schools, like the University of Missouri-Columbia, known nationwide as a top-ranked journalism school, were not selected.

The 1996 Tower yearbook Contemporary Traditions was awarded a Gold Crown by the Columbia Scholastic Press Association, as one of the top four yearbooks in the nation.

Tower was also nominated for a Pacemaker at the CMA convention but was not chosen. The 1997 yearbook Stages will be judged in January for a Gold Crown Award.

"Different judges took different things into consideration," Widmer

said. "You never know what judges are looking for."

In the past, Tower has won six Pacemakers and has been a finalist 10 times.

Widmer said she thought Contemporary Traditions, the first public university yearbook in the country to have a CD-ROM yearbook included, was better than other Pacemakers.

"I thought the 1996 Tower was one of the two strongest books that we've ever done, the 1989 being the other," Widmer said. "I was very disappointed that we didn't win."

The other student publication, Heartland View, was not a Pacemaker finalist, but did receive an All-American award with five marks of distinction, putting them in the top 3 percent of all magazines.

"The fact that the newspaper is in the top 1 percent, the yearbook is in the top 2 percent and Heartland is in the top 3 percent, speaks highly of the hard work and dedication of our students," Widmer said.



Erica Smith, Missourian advertising director, accepts the Pacemaker award from Annie Witta Christman, ACP associate director, Nov. 1 in Chicago. The award was presented in conjunction with the 76th annual National College Media convention. The Pacemaker places the Missourian among the top 10 nondaily collegiate newspapers in the nation.

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Contributing
Photographer



File photo

Soccer tries to join varsity ranks

by Kevin Schultz
Chief Reporter

Soccer has never been a part of the varsity sports program at Northwest, and so far the only soccer played around campus has been in the form of club play.

The possibilities of soccer becoming a women's varsity sport moved in the right direction last Thursday when five officers, elected to represent the soccer team, presented their case to become a varsity team to athletic director Jim Redd.

"The officers of the club team did a great job of presenting their side," Redd said. "I was impressed with their organization; they made some very strong points."

Redd said there is much more than meets the eye when adding another varsity sport.

"Many think that you can just add a sport, but so much has to be considered," Redd said. "Transportation, funding, uniforms, coaches and off-season workout facilities all have to be considered."

A big consideration Redd has to look at is where the funding for a new sport would come from.

He has the option of asking for and trying to raise more money or taking a little bit away from existing sports.

"Funding is something that will play a big role," Redd said. "And the group has looked at different possibilities."

This was the first year for a soccer club at Northwest. The women played against other clubs and varsity teams.

"We had a great season," said Jessica Courtney, president of the soccer club. "We worked very hard

and played well against other clubs and varsity teams."

A great season is one reason why the women want to become a varsity team as soon as possible. They also believe recruitment will be easier after this past season.

For now, the issue has been put on the back burner until after the football season.

"We will hold off on any further decisions until after football," Redd said. "This way we can give the issue the attention that it needs."

Redd also said that at this point it is unlikely that soccer will become a varsity sport next year, even if the proposal is successful.

A transition period is needed for the team, so one more club season is expected by the team. However, the club members are excited about what their future holds.

False alarms cause concern

by Mark Hornickel
Chief Reporter

Phillips Hall has had to deal with 10 false fire alarms since Sept. 4, including a string of seven in eight days.

Most of the alarms have occurred on the third floor and none on the female floors of the hall. Two fire alarms were set off by smoke bombs.

Residential Life is working on ways to prevent false alarms. It is looking into purchasing covers to go over the pull stations to deter false alarms.

Other possibilities of prevention include the use of surveillance cameras and pull stations equipped with a pre-alarm that would sound when someone tampered with the alarm.

"There are advantages and disad-

vantages to each of these options, but something will be put into place in Phillips as soon as possible to reduce the number of false alarms currently being experienced," said Betty Dye, Residential Life coordinator.

Residential hall staff members have varied the rounds they conduct during the evenings, and the Residential Life Security Patrol will make additional rounds during early morning hours.

Dye said high rises may experience an average of three to four false alarms a semester, but the activity at Phillips Hall has set a new precedent.

"This situation in Phillips is highly unusual," Dye said. "We've had hot spots before, but this is over the top."

Residents are becoming increasingly angry, but Dye guarantees the person will be caught.

"We just ask that the students be patient," Dye said. "They need to keep their eyes and ears open and stay in touch with their community just like they would in a house or an apartment."

Anyone caught pulling a false alarm will appear in front of the campus judicial court. Sanctions will then be taken.

In this case, the offense would be classified as a class B misdemeanor. Dye said the Residential Life staff has had a couple leads but nothing concrete.

"Some students seem to think they have an idea," Dye said. "We don't have anything hot enough to apprehend anyone."

Dye said false alarms will definitely become a topic of discussion as South Complex is renovated.

Groups sponsor University talent show

Student organizations showcase abilities during first time presentation

by Nathaniel Hanway
Missourian Staff

Northwest students will have a chance to show off to the community at 7 p.m. Friday at the Baptist Student Union.

The Alliance of Black Collegians and the Baptist Student Union will be sponsoring the student-filled talent show.

The main purpose of the show is to raise funds for ABC and provide a chance for the organizations to work together.

"The two organizations feel that Northwest has a lot of talent," said Yvonne Kweh, fund-raising chairwoman for ABC. "We just want to be able to expose the students' tal-

ents, and in the same sense to raise money for our organization."

This will be a new experience for the both organizations. They have not previously worked together.

"This is going to be the first time that we have tried something like this," Kweh said. "We hope to get more publicity in the community and reach more of the students."

The BSU, however, is not using this event to raise money.

"We do not use fund-raisers," BSU director Darrien King said. "We have been doing coffee houses and ABC approached us with this. We felt that it would be a good opportunity to help out the ABC."

The show will be free to the public, but participants pay an entry fee.

"We are hoping for about 15 skits," Kweh said. "We will also supply the winners and the contestants with prizes."

The prizes range from a boombox from Circuit City, a guest appearance on the show "Maryville Tonight with Chris Stigall" to gift certificates from Movie Magic and Country Kitchen.

ARAMARK will also present each of the contestants with a coupon for a free medium pizza.

"We are asking for solo acts, duets, bands, dramatic readings, dance and poetry," Kweh said. "We will accept any type of entertainment."

Telling stories has become senior Scott Johnson's chance to be seen by the students at the show and prove that blind people can also adapt and overcome.

"I plan on telling a few jokes. I am a storyteller so I'll tell a few stories," Johnson said. "I believe this is a great idea because there are a lot of students with talents."

Kweh said judging for the show is still in the works.

Northwest forensics team comes to life in competition

by Jason Kilndt
Missourian Staff

Mention the word "forensics" and everyone wants to know who died. What they should be asking is, "What did they win this time?"

Forensics is a competition where students present pieces of text orally against other students, a lot like giving a speech, but more involved.

The forensics season lasts from September through mid-April. There are invites in the fall where students give their presentation in front of a panel of judges.

There are individual awards as well as team awards. The goal of these invites is not only to get better, but also to qualify for nationals.

"To qualify you must finish in the top three at three different recognized

tournaments," said Bill Cue, director of forensics. "It is really kind of difficult when there are 60 to 70 other competitors. To be in the top three is a real challenge."

While the team competition is divided into groups according to size, the students compete against the entire field when qualifying for nationals, making it even tougher to qualify.

"Most of the time we are competing with schools who have five times our operating budget," Cue said.

Still, with all that is going against them, Angela McMahon, vice president of the team, and Justin Burton have come close to qualifying for nationals.

Last year Northwest finished fifth at the national tournament in Division II.

In order to compete, the forensics

team recruits incoming freshmen. Those students who show an interest in forensics receive direct-mailing both before and after they choose to attend Northwest.

"The success of one year helps the recruiting for the next year," Cue said. "We had excellent recruiting year this (past) year."

Sixteen of the 22 members are new to the program this year. That makes the leadership of the veterans that much more important.

"Morale is good, they are new and excited," McMahon said.

Forensics is allowed very little scholarship money, so the students do this more for love and the potential benefits after college.

"A lot of people say they have communication skills, but I have proof of it," McMahon said.

Cue, who is now in his second year, acts as both a cheerleader and coach for the students. He puts in long hours for each of the students competing and helps them develop their pieces into winners.

"Bill brings a lot of knowledge and background to the team," said McMahon.

Cue, however, gives credit to everyone from the provost to the dean and mostly the students.

"The final credit is with the students," Cue said. "They give up the weekends and are up in the late hours of the night. It is a huge effort with a huge payoff."

The payoff for Northwest has been tremendous so far. In four tournaments, many students have finished in the top five. In the Truman State tournament the team placed second.

Quality

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tutions and I feel this is totally appropriate. I have been committed to quality approach ever since I have been in government."

Missouri Quality Award applicants receive a feedback report providing valuable guidance and information on their organization's activities.

"We can make make fantastic improvements because you take the feedback report and use those items of both strengths and areas of improvement," said Ron DeYoung,

dean of professional and applied studies. "It will be a good base mark to project what you want to do over the next few years to improve."

Improvement is a constant and the University will constantly see quality as a journey, not a destination but the award proves one thing.

"I appreciate the fact that students are a big part of planning at Northwest and we do have some input and control in our education," Student Regent Marisa Sanchez said. "You don't know of any other institutions who do that for students. Quality is catching on more and more in the daily life of students."



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Hunting season opens

by Russ Wetzel
Missourian Staff

Camouflage and hunter orange are coming back into fashion as the hunting season gets underway.

The quail and pheasant hunting season officially opened Nov. 1, and firearm deer season will begin Nov. 15 in Nodaway County.

Ed Higdon, Missouri conservation agent, said the outlook looks promising.

"It will be a similar year to last year as far as the number of birds available," Higdon said. "And there will be no major changes in the rules."

However, there have been some changes made in this year's duck season, which runs from Oct. 23 through Dec. 21.

"The season is 60 days longer," Higdon said. "The daily limit has been raised to six ducks, with some limitations on the species."

Higdon said there are also several major changes for this year's firearm

deer season, which runs until Nov. 25.

In the past, hunters had to apply for a permit to hunt deer in the state.

This year, hunters can simply purchase a permit at any of several area permit distributors.

"We have completely changed the license system this year," Higdon said. "People seem a lot happier with the new system."

Higdon expects the number of deer to meet or exceed the number taken last year and much of it depends on the weather.

"If we have a wet, nasty weekend for the opener, then that will reduce the take," Higdon said. "Over 50 percent of the deer are taken over the first weekend."

Higdon said Missouri's deer population has been on the rise over the past few years.

"We are seeing a slow increase in the deer population in our area," he said. "We use that information to determine how many permits to make available for next year."

The season for archery deer and turkey opened Oct. 1 and runs until Jan. 1.

Higdon said this is a popular season for many hunters as well.

"We are somewhere in the neighborhood of having checked 50 deer in the county already," he said.

Higdon said the early harvest this year will also play a significant role in the season.

"It opens the deer up to visibility to hunters a lot more," he said. "The less crop that is out there, the less places they have to hide."

The cost of purchasing a resident firearm deer permit in Missouri is \$11. The cost of a non-resident permit is \$110.

The cost of a resident small game permit is \$9.

Additional permits and further information on laws and additional requirements can be obtained locally.

Area permit distributors include Wal-Mart, Watkins Hardware, Orscheln's, Hy-Vee, Shop & Hop and Walter Brothers.

Preparing for the hunt

Late fall is prime hunting time in the Midwest. Here are some tips and important dates for hunters to remember.

Getting a license

A resident firearms deer permit in Missouri costs \$11. A non-resident permit costs \$110. A resident small game permit costs \$9. Permit distributors in the area include Wal-Mart, Watkins Hardware, Orscheln's, Hy-Vee, Shop and Hop and Walter Brothers.

Hunters' etiquette

- A hunter's behavior reflects on all hunters and trappers
- Respect the rights of private landowners
- Remember that the issuance of a permit does not authorize trespassing on private lands



Hunting dates

- Oct. 1 - Jan. 15 - Archery deer and turkey season
- Oct. 23 - Dec. 21 - Duck season
- Nov. 1 - Jan. 15 - Pheasant and gray partridge season (north zone)
- Nov. 1 - Jan. 15 - Quail season
- Nov. 15-25 - Modern firearms deer season

Staying safe

- Keep the muzzle of your firearm pointed in a safe direction.
- Treat every firearm as though it were loaded.
- Don't drink while you hunt.
- In Missouri it's illegal to discharge a weapon while intoxicated.
- Store firearms and ammunition separately.
- Never shoot at a flat, hard surface or water.
- Never climb or jump an obstacle with a loaded firearm.
- Be sure of your target before you pull the trigger.
- If you hit a deer with your vehicle, do not approach the wounded animal. A injured deer can still be dangerous.

source: Missouri Department of Conservation
Colleen Cooke/Editorial Assistant

Band marches to recognition

■ Spoofhound group garners awards, progresses through performance season

by Kevin Schultz
Chief Reporter

The marching band is another program at Maryville High School competing at the top.

The Spoofhounds have made this a year of award-winning performances in several events and in several different ways.

The band finished the year placing first at the Loess Hills Marching Festival in Glenwood, Iowa.

The competition in Glenwood turned out to be the best of the year for the 'Hounds, improving on a third-place finish at the Southwest Iowa Band Jamboree and a fifth-place finish at a competition in Carrollton, in early September.

As the year progresses a lot of advancement is expected and has been made," said band director Dennis Dau. "It's a goal of ours to improve as we move along and it's an educational goal as well."

According to Dau, the awards are a direct result of the hard work and many practice hours put in by the band members and the assistant director Bill Dodd.

"Every award has been well deserved," Dau said. "The awards are a great reflection of the quality kids we have in our program."

Although the band competes as a whole at various competitions, certain groups are judged individually. Several awards have been given to the 'Hounds' drumline. The drum majors and twirlers have also received awards.

The drumline led by Brian Jewell and Mary Dean have taken home two first-place overall awards and a second place," Dau said. "They work extremely hard, sometimes putting three- to four-hour rehearsals in a day."

Senior Andrea Ury and junior Natalie Dredge took first overall award and the twirlers took third place in the open-class division.



Maryville High School band drum majors Andrea Ury (left) and Natalie Dredge (right) prepare to lead the band down College Ave. during the Northwest Homecoming parade.

Jennie Nelson/
Staff Photographer

Overall awards are given to participants regardless of school or band size.

For the band as a whole, its competitive season is over, but they have been invited to join Northwest's Bearcat Marching Band to perform Dec. 7 at a Kansas City Chiefs game.

The drumline has two competitions left. They will be performing today in Omaha, Neb. and Nov. 8 at the Missouri Western Drumline Competition in St. Joseph.

This band is continuing a tradition that has been strong for a long time," Dau said. "It's a long tradition that has been made through long hours and dedication."

Local constructor builds unique home in Maryville

■ Styrofoam walls make quiet, storm resistant, energy efficient, clean, tornado proof houses

by Toru Yamauchi
Chief Reporter

Many dream of constructing a nice home and a new type of house has come to Maryville — Styrofoam.

The house is not made entirely of Styrofoam, but the walls are constructed with a combination of concrete and Styrofoam. A Maryville resident is investing money on this new type of construction.

Andy Willard's house has Styrofoam walls.

Willard said he was influenced by Kenneth Wilmes, owner of Wilmes Construction Co., who brought the method to town from an architecture company in Omaha, Neb. in 1995.

Wilmes constructed the Styrofoam wall for his own house last year and completed making the entire house last spring.

"After walking through the hall (of Wilmes' house), I became interested in building that home," Willard said.

Wilmes said the Styrofoam house is 70 percent energy efficient, compared to average houses.

The Styrofoam also protects the house from sound, dust and tornadoes.

"When the tornado comes, it will still take roofs and windows, but the wall will still stand," Wilmes said.

He said when the tornado went through Illinois, only the houses with Styrofoam walls remained standing.

Willard was convinced to build the Styrofoam wall in his home when he actually experienced how quiet Wilmes' house was.

"It's just very quiet inside," Willard said. "When we went to test in Kenneth's house, there was a storm outside, but we couldn't hear it. It was nice and quiet inside."

A quiet home was only part of the reason Willard decided to have the new house built.

He said the energy efficiency, in comparison to a normal home, was another factor. His allergies also influenced his decision.

"Since my wife and I both have allergies in the spring and fall, this home is supposed to be cleaner," Willard said.

Although the styrofoam house costs more, Willard said he will save money in the long run.

"The actual house itself costs a little bit more to build," Willard said. "But in several years, we get paid back from the energy saving."

Willard is looking to complete the house by April of 1998. He and his father are trying to finish up the second house in Maryville with Styrofoam walls.

Teen-agers catch paintball fever

by Sarah Bohl
Missourian Staff

The hunter or the hunted — it is a thin line in the game of paintball.

For the past few months this fad has been popular in Maryville. A group of 10 to 12 high school and college students have met every week to compete against each other in this game of skill and strength.

In paintball, each participant is armed with a gun and a face mask to protect themselves. The guns shoot pellets containing paint that explodes when it hits a target.

A small group started paintballing last summer in Kansas City just to try something new and to have something to do on the weekends. However, as others joined the group, it evolved into something more than that.

Jason Schuster, Maryville High School senior, started paintballing about two months ago.

"A couple of my friends were talking about it and told me I should come out and play sometime," Schuster said. "I tried it and was addicted."

For some, the true addiction is the chase.

Another high school senior, Eric Mickelson, has been paintballing for about four months.

"It was just something exciting to do," Mickelson said. "I don't like hunting animals or anything like that, so I figured I'll just hunt humans."

Although many businesses providing terrain for paintballers have been springing up in big cities, Maryville's abundant space takes care of that problem.

Schuster said the group uses a friend's pasture as its battlefield.

"It's got a lot of grass and trees that makes it challenging," he said.

Paintball can be played in many different ways. Matt Herring, high school senior, said how they play depends on how many people show up.

"If we have eight, we might have four go into the woods and hide while the other four hunt them," he said. "Sometimes we'll play it more like a type of capture the flag."

Everyone in the group has their own equipment, and no one is allowed to play if they don't have a face mask. The gun can be a semiautomatic rifle or whatever the participants choose to use.

Herring said most of the players buy their equipment from special paintball stores in St. Joseph, although they can also get it from Wal-Mart.

However, paintball is not inexpensive. Buying the basic equipment for the game can cost from \$160 to \$200.

Like any sort of gun, paintball guns are not gentle. Normally paintballs fly at 250 feet per second,

Herring said. That means getting hit can sting.

"A lot of guns let you change the settings," Herring said. "You can set some guns so they can break skin."

"Paintballs hurt," Mickelson said. "They don't kill you, but you still feel it for a while. The best thing is getting people back who shot you before."

Even though some pain is involved, paintballers would still encourage people to try the sport.

"It's fun, and you use strategy and leadership skills," Schuster said. "You get to be out with your friends and enjoy the game."

Some play for the exercise. "It's a blast," Mickelson said. "It gives you something to do, and it's a workout."

The group meets every Sunday and other days when they don't have school or other activities.

Residents earn governor's awards for leadership

■ MCCA nominees honored during state's annual banquet last week

by Sarah Bohl
Missourian Staff

Two Maryville residents earned top honors at the Missouri Community Betterment Awards ceremony.

Jessica Loch and Jenna Johnson both received the Governor's Leadership Award at the annual banquet in Columbia Oct. 27.

Loch was the recipient of the Governor's Award for Adult Leadership and was sponsored by the Maryville Citizens for Community Action.

"They choose someone for their community service," Loch said. "I have served on lots of committees and have been involved in the community for several years."

Johnson, a senior at Maryville High School, was a winner of the Governor's Award for Youth Leadership.

She was nominated for the award by one of her teachers on the basis of community service. Johnson couldn't believe she had won the award since so many communities were represented.

"I was really excited and surprised," Johnson said. "There were a lot of people there."

The community group decides who to nominate in two different ways, said Jan Colville, president of the MCCA.

The youth nominee is chosen by contacting the high school and talking with the administration and teachers. The adult candidate is selected by members of the MCCA.

Loch and Johnson automatically became the community winners and candidates for the state award.

To compete for the award, the MCCA had to send in a résumé and three recommendations for both nominees to be judged by a Missouri Community Betterment committee.

Almost 80 communities competed for the award by submitting reports detailing improvements they have made to their towns over the past year. Leadership awards are just another section of that award, Loch said.

Maryville also won a Certificate of Merit for their work on the Mzingo project. A representative will present the award to the MCCA at a later date.

The individual awards were presented at a luncheon. Loch and Johnson each received a plaque from Missouri State Treasurer Bob Holden.

The community awards were presented by Gov. Mel Carnahan.

Each community can nominate one candidate in the adult division and one in the youth division. Only 10 awards are given throughout the state every year in each category.

In Brief

Annual soup dinner will benefit church

Hope Lutheran Church, located at 931 S. Main St., will sponsor "Eddy's Famous Chili and Soup Supper" from 5 to 7 p.m. Sunday.

The meal costs \$3.50 for adults and \$2 for children five and under. Money raised at the annual event will go into the church's general fund.

Chamber, NWMSU sponsor lunches

The Northwest Missouri State University Small Business Development Center and the Chamber of Commerce will sponsor a video series during the lunch hour.

They will be from 12:10 to 1 p.m. Nov. 7 and 19 at the Small Business Development Center/Chamber of Commerce conference room located at 423 N. Market St.

The focus for November is "Customer, Inventory and Employee Tracking." For more information contact Deb Shough at 562-1701.

Residents need to recycle more

Northwest Missouri residents will have the opportunity to participate in "Missouri Recycles Day."

The event, as part of the larger, national celebration called "America Recycles Day," will be Nov. 15 throughout the state.

Residents will be asked to sign a pledge card that says they will recycle more waste, buy more recycled products and support a recycling program.

Contact Joel Miller at the Regional Council of Governments and Development Corporation if you or your organization is interested in participating in the event.

Bloodmobile gears up for next week

Business and Professional Women will sponsor a community blood drive from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Nov. 13 in the Fellowship Hall of First United Methodist Church.

For a preferred donation time, please contact Shirley Miller at 582-4031.

This is the fourth bloodmobile of 1997, and those who have given three times this year will be eligible for a Friend-4-Life T-shirt or mug when they donate.

Chamber sells banquet tickets

The Maryville Chamber of Commerce will hold its 37th annual Nodaway County Farm-City Banquet on Monday, Nov. 17.

The event will start at 6:30 p.m. in the University Conference Center. Dr. Joe Jeffrey, a Nebraska veterinarian, rancher and humorist, will be the speaker.

Tickets for the banquet are \$12.50. They are available at the Chamber of Commerce office at 423 N. Market St., or at banks throughout the county.

The deadline for ticket sales is Thursday, Nov. 13. For more information, call the Chamber office at 582-8643.

Public Safety

October 26

■ Fire units responded to the 400 block of West Third Street in reference to a smoke alarm going off. Upon arrival, it was determined the smoke alarm battery had gone bad. No fire or smoke was detected.

October 27

■ A Maryville female reported the theft of a set of golf clubs and a pink golf bag from her garage. Estimated value was \$500.

■ Tanya L. Sullivan, Maryville, was attempting to turn onto West South Avenue and hit a patch of ice and slid into the vehicle of Lana G. McLaughlin who was stopped at a stoplight eastbound on West South Avenue.

■ Ralph Hueste, Maryville, was parked, when his vehicle was struck by another who left the scene.

October 28

■ An officer served a Maryville Municipal Court warrant for failure to appear to Tony E. Boner, 25, Conception Junction. He is being held for bond.

■ While on patrol in the area of 13th and Mulberry streets, an officer observed a vehicle driving over the posted speed limit. The vehicle was stopped and the driver was identified as Shelli L. McNulty, 19, Maryville. An odor of marijuana was detected in the vehicle. McNulty was arrested on charges of possession of drug paraphernalia after rolling papers were found in her possession. She was also issued a citation for driving over the posted speed limit. She was released after posting bond.

■ Officers responded to the 100 block of West Ninth Street on a complaint of a loud party. Upon arrival, contact was made with occupants Kristofferson O. Nystrom, 20, and Leigh C. Peterson, 19. They were advised to shut the party down. A keg of beer was observed in the residence and Nystrom and Peterson were both issued a summons for permitting a peace disturbance and minor in possession.

October 29

■ Fire units responded to a house fire in the 1000 block of North Filmore Street. Upon arrival heavy black smoke was coming from under the eaves. The fire started in kitchen where wax was being melted on the stove, and spread into the ceiling area. The fire was extinguished.

■ An officer arrested Angela M. Larkings, 20, Kansas City, Mo., on charges of larceny, following an incident at a local business in which three compact discs and a box of hair

color were taken without being paid for. She was released after posting bond. Estimated value was \$54.28.

■ A Maryville male reported that he has been receiving harassing phone calls.

October 30

■ After receiving a complaint of a trash violation in the 1300 block of North Main Street an officer issued a summons to Francis Troxell, 74, Edwards, for failure to comply with a notice to abate nuisance.

■ Rachel A. Gerken, Maryville, was making a left hand turn onto South Munn Street from West First Street and started sliding on the wet pavement. Gerken left the roadway and struck a street sign.

■ An officer stopped a vehicle in the 500 block of West Seventh Street for a traffic violation and while running a check on the driver, Lesley M. Dean, 18, Maryville, he discovered her date of birth on the license had been altered. She was issued a summons for possession of an altered driver's license.

■ An officer was on patrol in the 200 block of South Main Street when he observed a vehicle with only one headlight on. The vehicle was stopped, and the driver was identified as James D. Gabbert, 21, Maryville. While talking with Gabbert, the officer detected an odor of intoxicants. He was asked to perform a field sobriety test which he could not complete successfully. He was arrested on charges of driving while intoxicated after his blood alcohol content tested over the legal limit. He was also issued an equipment repair order for his headlight.

■ An officer served a Maryville Municipal Court warrant for failure to appear on Terry A. Tronein, 19, Hopkins. He is being held for bond.

■ An officer took a report from a local business that they had several checks returned because the accounts were closed.

October 31

■ The vehicles of Sarah R. Prehal, Maryville, and Steven C. Thompson, Hopkins, were northbound on Main Street. Thompson was stopped in traffic and was struck in the rear by Prehal. Prehal was issued a citation for careless and imprudent driving.

November 1

■ An officer observed a vehicle make a turn onto West Seventh Street in the oncoming traffic lane and continue in that lane for a short distance. The vehicle was stopped and the driver was identified as Christopher G. Arnold, 22, Maryville. While talking

with the officer, an odor of intoxicants was detected. He was asked to perform a field sobriety test in which he could not complete successfully. He was arrested on charges of driving while intoxicated after his blood alcohol content tested over the legal limit. He was also issued a citation for careless and imprudent driving.

■ An officer served a Maryville Municipal Court warrant for failure to appear on Patrick J. Douglas, 20, Bellevue, Neb. He was released after posting bond.

■ Officers were notified of a vehicle striking mailboxes in the 1100 block of South Main Street and leaving the scene. After receiving the description of the vehicle, an officer found the vehicle in the 700 block of East Fourth Street. Contact was made with the driver, Jason T. Edwards, 26, Cuba, Ill. and while talking with him an odor of intoxicants was detected. He was asked to perform a field sobriety test in which he refused to do and also refused to submit a breath sample for blood alcohol content. He was arrested on charges of driving while intoxicated and also issued a citation for leaving the scene of an accident.

■ An officer took a report of several items being taken from a local business. They included a promotional banner, drinking straw dispenser and a picture. Estimated value was unknown.

■ An officer arrested Michael P. Wilmes, 20, Maryville, on charges of assault following an incident in which a male of Barnard reported he had been assaulted. He is being held for probation and parole.

■ The vehicles of Amy J. Smith, Maryville, and Karen S. Wray, Parnell, were eastbound on South Avenue. Wray was stopped in traffic when her vehicle was struck in the rear by Smith. A citation was issued to Smith for careless and imprudent driving.

November 2

■ A summons for assault was issued to Dustin Ellis, 22, Maryville, following an incident in the 400 block of North Buchanan in which a female reported she had been assaulted by the male subject.

November 3

■ An officer arrested Marlene E. Roupe, 19, Bedford, Iowa, on charges of larceny following an incident at a local business in which seven key chains and two ink pens were taken without being paid for. She was released after posting bond. Estimated value was \$22.71.

■ A Maryville female reported that the building she owned had been

damaged. It appeared there had been a fight, because there was blood on the walls and there was a hole in the sheet rock in the hallway.

■ Linda S. Guess, Maryville, was eastbound on Seventh Street when Rachel M. Diggs, Maryville, pulled from a drive. Guess slid because of icy conditions and struck the curb.

■ Linda S. Hill and Richard L. Mattson, both of Maryville, were southbound on Main Street. Mattson, was stopped in traffic, and Hill was unable to stop because of icy conditions. Hill's vehicle struck Mattson's vehicle in the rear.

■ Jacqueline E. Tegen, Maryville, was stopped at a posted stop sign and then pulled into an intersection and struck the vehicle of Kermit D. Goslee, Maryville, who was eastbound on Third Street. A citation was issued to Tegen for failure to yield.

Campus Safety

October 20

■ Campus Safety investigated a medical emergency in a building on campus. Emergency medical services was notified and transported the individual to St. Francis Hospital.

October 21

■ A faculty member reported property damage to a building on campus. An investigation was initiated.

■ Campus Safety investigated a judicial code violation on campus. An investigation was initiated.

October 22

■ Campus Safety investigated a harassment complaint. An investigation was initiated.

October 23

■ Campus Safety investigated a fire alarm in a building on campus. The alarm was unfounded.

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■ Campus Safety received a report of property damage to a parking lot on campus. An investigation was initiated.

October 24

■ Campus Safety investigated a report of an individual tampering with fire equipment in a building on campus.

■ Campus Safety investigated a harassment complaint. An investigation

was initiated.

■ A student reported property damage by a baseball to their vehicle while it was parked in a parking lot on campus.

October 25

■ Campus Safety investigated smoke bombs being activated in a building on campus. An investigation was initiated.

■ Campus Safety investigated a fire alarm in a building on campus. No smoke or fire was detected.

October 26

■ Campus Safety investigated a medical emergency in a building on campus. Emergency medical services were notified and dispatched to the scene. The individual refused medical attention.

■ Campus Safety investigated a fire alarm in a building on campus. No smoke or fire was detected.

October 27

■ Campus Safety investigated an odor of smoke in a building on campus. It was determined that construction workers had been cutting a pipe in the basement, and a spark caught a cardboard box on fire. It was quickly extinguished. There was no property damage.

■ Campus Safety investigated a vehicle accident in a parking lot on campus.

■ Campus Safety issued a University summons to the vice president of student affairs to an individual for damaging University property, inappropriate and disruptive behavior and falsely identifying self to University officials.

October 28

■ Campus Safety responded to a campus building in reference to an elevator being stuck.

■ A University employee reported a theft from a campus building. An investigation was initiated.

October 29

■ Campus Safety investigated a fire alarm in a building on campus. No smoke or fire was detected.

October 30

■ A University employee reported that some University property was missing from a campus building.

■ A student reported property damage and a theft from their vehicle.

■ A student was summoned to the vice president of student affairs for inappropriate behavior.

October 31

■ Campus Safety investigated a fire alarm in a building on campus. No fire was present.

■ Campus Safety was dispatched to the Conference Center in reference to disruptive behavior. An investigation was initiated.

■ Campus Safety was issued a student summons to the vice president of student affairs and a state summons for possession of drug paraphernalia.

Obituaries

Marlon Alvin Stockton

Marion Stockton, 77, Stanberry, died Oct. 22 at Pineview Manor in Stanberry.

She was born June 6, 1920, to Ray and Elsie Stockton in Stanberry.

Survivors include four daughters, Anita Bridges, Margaret Grace, Nancy Stoll and Mary Poe; four sons, Richard, Dale, Donald and Galen; one brother; one sister; 30 grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren.

Services were Oct. 25 at the First Christian Church in Stanberry.

Gertrude M. Moffat

Gertrude Moffat, 85, Maryville, died Oct. 29 at Heartland Regional Medical Center East in St. Joseph.

She was born Feb. 23, 1912, to Aloysius and Mary Ann Schieber in Conception.

Survivors include three sons; three daughters; 13 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Services were Nov. 1 at St. Gregory's Catholic Church.

John Clayton Donaldson

John Donaldson, 87, Maryville died Nov. 1 at the Maryville Health Center in Maryville.

He was born Jan. 1, 1910, to Levi and Goldie Donaldson in Graham.

Survivors include his wife Ruth; three daughters; nine grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

Services were Nov. 4 at the Price Funeral Home Chapel in Maryville.

Frank O'Connell

Frank O'Connell, 93, Kansas City, Mo., died Nov. 4 at the Summit Nursing Home in Kansas City.

He was born March 16, 1904, to Cornelious and Ann O'Connell in Maryville.

Survivors include one brother; one sister; and cousins in Maryville.

Services are Nov. 7 at St. Gregory's Catholic Church in Maryville.

Correction

In the Oct. 30 issue of the Northwest Missourian Michael Vinson's name was incorrectly spelled in the story Maryville's Most Haunted. The Missourian regrets the error.

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Hooked on books: Author's stories on teen-agers find an eager audience in northwest Missouri

STORY BY COLLEEN COOKE

Although he doesn't like the term "young adult literature," young adult author Chris Crutcher is helping get students in northwest Missouri hooked on books — his books, specifically.

Crutcher has gained popularity in this area over the past two or three years thanks in part to an appearance at the first Young Adult Literature Festival at Northwest in 1995. English professor Virgil Albertini organizes the festival and said he called many high school and middle school teachers to let them know that the author would be coming to Northwest for the first year.

Since that first conference, which about 350 people attended, teachers have introduced their students to Crutcher's works. Attendance at the third Young Adult Literature festival, which took place Oct. 28, was more than 500. And this time, Albertini didn't have to call anybody.

During his sessions, the author talked about some of the stories behind his books, and also showed how some of his own life makes it into his works.

When Crutcher talks about his books, he often uses the phrase "so-called young adult literature" because he has experienced the difficulties that can come with having a label like that placed on him.

"I don't like the term because it's incorrect," he said. "Young adult literature is for 12 and up, yet they're not young adults. And if you get it into young adult literature, then it's excluded from adult literature, so you're kind of operating at a disadvantage in terms of just getting your material out to all the people you want to have read it."

Despite the restrictions that may come for him, Crutcher's works seem to have spoken to the people for whom they are intended — teen-agers. Albertini said Crutcher's popularity is due to the author's style of writing and choice of subject material.

"He addresses issues they're concerned about, and he writes with a style that they can understand," Albertini said. "He's a storyteller — he knows what to do with those words."

Though ostensibly books for high school students, English major Lisa Hartman has introduced the students she tutors in the Writing Center on campus to Crutcher's works. Before Crutcher's appearance at Northwest, Hartman read "Telephone Man," a short story that appears in "Athletic Shorts," to her students. She said the students responded

enthusiastically to the story.

"One student has bought three of his books," she said. "He has a brand-new outlook on reading. He hasn't read anything since fifth grade, but now he's getting into it."

Jenny Lamb, the eighth grade reading teacher at Washington Middle School, took 144 students to see Crutcher at the conference.

"Even when they haven't read his books, they loved listening to him," Lamb said. "I think that takes a talent. He fascinated most of them."

Although the subject matter of his books makes them more suited for high school students, Lamb said her advanced readers really enjoy a book like "Running Loose."

"I just don't have many kids who are into the Baby Sitters' Club or R.L. Stine," she said.

Thanks to the work of English teachers and librarians, Crutcher said his and others' works are being noticed by the right people — the students.

"One of the things that's starting to change now because of classes like Dr. Albertini's is they're (teachers, readers) starting to realize that there's a lot of good stuff being written about people between the ages of 12 and 20."

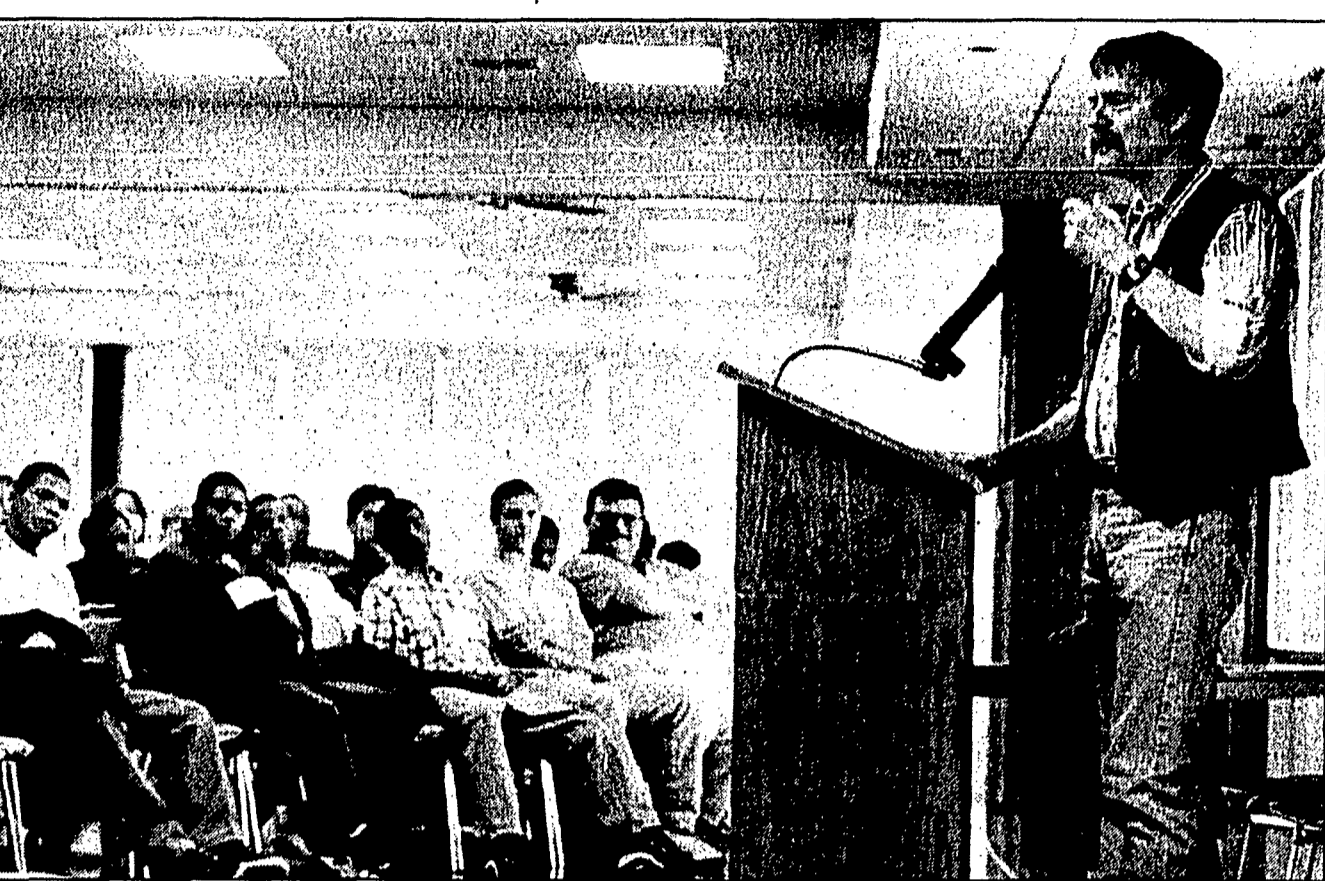
Balancing act

Crutcher's books are filled with things most high school students will recognize — lots of sports, dating anxiety, peer pressure and embarrassment — and also things that are harder to face, including suicide, abusive parents, divorce and abortion.

He said many of his stories — including the tough stories about teenagers — come from real life, particularly his contact with troubled teens at the Spokane Mental Health Center, where he has counseled families for more than 15 years. Some of the stories of abuse and trouble at home he heard from kids at the center were the basis for his characters' stories, including "Staying Fat for Sarah Byrnes" and "The Deep End."

However, Crutcher said he is careful to always balance out the stories of abuse and pain with a good dose of his own sense of humor.

For the last 15 years, I've heard two



During his afternoon session at the Young Adult Literature Festival Oct. 28, author Chris Crutcher speaks with students and teachers from area schools. Crutcher shared some stories that influenced his books, and he also read a chapter from his next book.

of those stories a week, and you just can't do that without a sense of humor," Crutcher said. "It's the sense of humor that keeps you going."

While working at the mental health center, Crutcher started his writing career at age 35. His first book was "Running Loose," which was listed as one of the best young adult books of the 1980s. It was also listed in the top 10 most challenged books in 1995.

Because of the difficult nature of his subject matter, Crutcher has found many of his books at the center of censorship disputes in schools.

"Up front, you get challenged about language, but really you get banned because of the ideas," he said. "You're writing about things that make people uncomfortable."

He said problems come because in order for his books to get into the hands of students, they must first pass through school administrators. This is often where censorship problems arise.

"The problem with so-called young adult literature is that you're writing about 16 to 18-year-olds and the schools

say you have to read this and this, the people you write about won't be reading it," he said. "They have to go through adult readers first."

Creating craftsmanship

While getting his books into students' hands can sometimes be difficult, Crutcher had the good fortune to get his material into the right publishers' hands.

While he was in college, he became friends with Terry Davis, who wrote "Vision Quest" in 1979, which was later made into a movie with Matthew Modine and Madonna. Because of his contact with Davis, Crutcher was able to get "Running Loose" to the people who publish Davis' works.

More than just a publishing contact, though, Crutcher said being around Davis showed him the process of writing and rewriting, and it convinced him that authors weren't some space aliens.

"I thought all authors were either like that or dead," Crutcher said. "But this was a guy I could beat in one-on-one basketball."

As Davis was writing "Vision

Quest," about a high school wrestler once a week he would read Crutcher a chapter, to see if it was believable.

"He'd bring it back and it would be smoother and better," Crutcher said. "As it got to be chapter five and six and seven, I got to see the story take shape."

With that glimpse into the craftsmanship of writing, Crutcher started writing his own stories, full of sports, friendships and tough issues. Athletics tends to be the center of most of his books; his collection of short stories is even titled "Athletic Shorts."

"When I sit down to start writing stories about people who are 16 or 17 years old, the athletic part just kind of falls into that," Crutcher said. "I don't want to sit down and just write jock stories. The vision I have to have to tell a story like that is the 17-year-old vision."

It is that vision in his books that has students around the area snapping up his works in book stores and libraries.

"There's a level of honesty and intensity in the subject matter," Hartman said. "It's truly honest, and it's not just a teen book."

Something about the author

Name: Chris Crutcher
Birthday: July 17, 1946
Hometown: Cascade, Idaho

Education: Received a bachelor's degree in psychology and sociology and a teaching certificate from Eastern Washington State College

First job: Worked at his dad's service station when he was 9

Favorite sport: Basketball

Favorite TV show: "Frasier"

Published books: "Running Loose," 1983; "Stotan!" 1986; "The Crazy Horse Electric Game," 1987; "Chinese Handcuffs," 1989; "Athletic Shorts," 1991; "The Deep End," 1992; "Staying Fat for Sarah Byrnes," 1993; "Ironman," 1995

Time it takes to finish writing a book: About a year

Book he's reading right now: "Underworld," by Don Dilello

Awards: Honored in 1994 for "significant contribution to young adult literature" by the Assembly on Literature for Young Adolescents of the National Council of Teachers of English; four books have been named an ALA Best Book for Young Adults; "Running Loose," "Chinese Handcuffs" and "Stotan!" were listed among the best young adult novels of the 1980s.

Stories made into movies: "Angus," based on "A Brief Moment in the Life of Angus Bethune," which appears in "Athletic Shorts." Crutcher is currently working on the screenplay version of "Staying Fat for Sarah Byrnes."

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Bearcats, Bulldogs battle for Hickory Stick

Sports evoke mixed reactions from columnist



Wendy Broker

This was quite a week in Bearcat sports.

The football team's future remains solid after they took down the Central Missouri State University Mules, 41-9, last

week. The 'Cats remain the only MIAA team without a blemish on their record.

Up next for the team is longtime rival Truman State University. The battle for the Hickory Stick is in the 'Ville this year, where Northwest will try to repeat last year's 52-22 smashing of the Bulldogs.

The Bulldogs come into the game off a 28-18 loss to Pitt State. My guess is they will be rarin' to redeem themselves and what better way than to knock off the 9-0 Bearcats. My prediction is this will be a close game: Northwest 31, Truman 24.

The volleyball team went 3-1 at the Drury College Volleyball Classic, a nice tournament finish for the second week in a row. Go Bearcats. Maybe it's just time in the season where all the new players have finally clicked or maybe the seniors just want to go out in style. Whatever the reason, it certainly speaks well of the team.

The men's and women's cross country teams had the weekend off following the MIAA championships where the women three-peated as champs and the men moved up from last year's fourth-place finish to take second. This weekend, the teams will head to Wisconsin, for the regional meet, to take aim at a spot in the NCAA national meet. The women must place in the top four to return to nationals where they finished 10th last year. The men will shoot to be in the top five to make their first appearance at the national meet in over 10 years. Good luck runners.

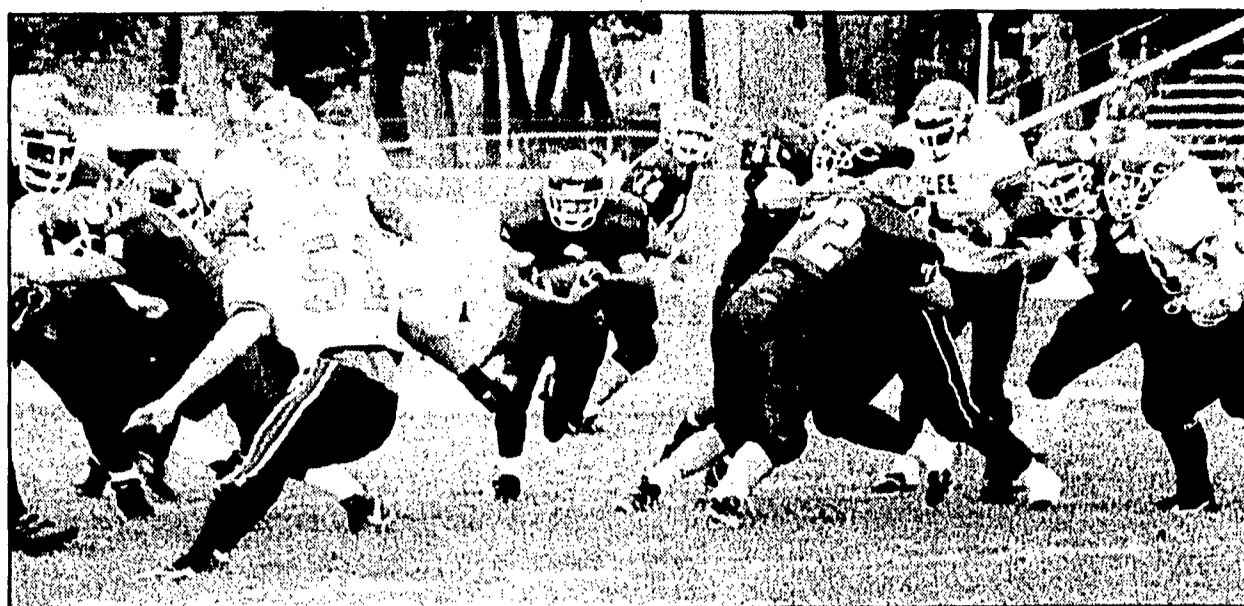
In other action: Did anyone catch that Notre Dame/Navy game Saturday? Talk about a heartstopper. The Fighting Irish barely pulled it out following a Hail Mary pass by Navy as time expired. But the luck of the Irish prevailed and the player from the Navy was stopped two yards short of the winning touchdown.

On a more depressing note, the world renowned Chicago Bulls lost their opening game to the Boston Celtics Friday night, but bounced back to win over the 76ers Saturday. With Dennis Rodman just signing his contract last week, and not quite in tip-top shape, and Scottie Pippen out for the next two months, the Bulls have some adjusting to do if they want to be contenders this year.

And the worst for me, and don't hate me Chiefs fans, the Cowboys lost to the 49ers 17-10, after a controversial last-minute play in which Micheal Irvin, grabbing for the tying touchdown pass, was caught up with 49er Rod Woodson. The play was first ruled pass interference, but then the referees pulled the game out of the Cowboys' grasp by ruling that the men's feet simply got tangled. And to make the loss even more painful, just two plays later, Troy Aikman was intercepted to end the game.

Well, that's all the sports news for this week's edition. Tune in next week for more sports action.

Wendy Broker is the University sports editor for the Northwest Missourian.



John Petrovic/Contributing Photographer

Sophomore A-back Charlie Pugh runs up the middle toward the endzone during the Bearcat's 41-9 win over the Central Missouri University Saturday. This week the Bearcats will battle rival Truman State University.

back, said the Bulldogs create a test the 'Cats want to face.

"I'm really looking forward to the challenge because they are a very balanced team," Keys said. "Teams like that give us a chance to see how good we are."

Northwest 41, CMSU 9

A slow start turned into a methodical trouncing of the Central Missouri State University Mules Saturday in Rickenbrode Stadium, 41-9.

The Bearcats dominated the line of scrimmage and pounded the Mules into submission. Northwest tallied 253 rushing yards compared to only 100 for CMSU.

Hanson had a huge day for the Bearcats catching five passes for 84 yards and two touchdowns.

"The coaches had been kind of holding me back so that teams would not key on me," Hanson said. "I just got open and (quarterback Chris) Greisen found me."

Sutton said the Mules gave up mentally and really could not get back in the game.

"They're a good team, but their morale was down," he said. "So we just tried to go out and do our job."

Northwest's defensive effort was also a big factor against the Mules.

"Defensively, I was really pleased with the way we came out and played

really hard and got after it," Tjeerdsma said. "We were very physical, especially with our linebackers and secondary. We really came up and made the plays."

However, the game was not all positives for the 'Cats, because they lost junior A-back Derek Lane to a shoulder separation in the first quarter. He will be out two to three weeks.

Taking his place will be sophomore Charlie Pugh and redshirt freshman Dave Jansen. Jansen gained 70 yards on seven carries Saturday.

"Dave had some explosive runs," Tjeerdsma said. "He's an explosive player, and he always gets positive yards."

by Colin McDonough
Managing Editor

Very rarely would Northwest put the Hickory Stick on the back burner, but with Saturday's game looming near that is exactly where the Stick stands — in the back-ground.

The 'Cats will tangle with Truman State University Saturday at 1 p.m. in Rickenbrode Stadium with the Hickory Stick on the line. It is the longest Division II trophy series but the Bearcats are thinking less about the Stick and more about a conference title and playoff berth.

Northwest comes into the game with a record of 9-0 and is rated No. 4 in the latest NCAA Division II national rankings. Truman has a 6-2 overall record and a 6-1 mark in the MIAA.

Defensive coordinator Scott Bostwick said the fans need to show their support in the 'Cats' regular season finale.

"We need everybody's help this week," Bostwick said. "We need to challenge every student to be there — wearing green and making noise."

Mel Tjeerdsma, head football coach, said the team has to get support from the students.

"We've got so much we're playing for this week," Tjeerdsma said. "We've given a lot of people joy and entertainment and we need them. We've been spoiled in the past but we've got a good product and its something we should be proud of."

The 'Cats will be playing for at least a tie for the MIAA champion-

ship in the game and would lock up a playoff bid with a victory.

"To show you how much this game means, when we beat Pittsburg (State University) we accomplished only one goal — beating Pitt," Tjeerdsma said. "If we win this week, we will have accomplished seven more goals. That just shows how important this game is."

Brian Sutton, junior defensive back, said the 'Cats would cherish another MIAA title but would not be satisfied unless they won the championship without a tie.

"We had a tie last year," Sutton said. "We want it outright this year."

Truman could present a difficult task for the 'Cats, Tjeerdsma said.

"They're a good, well-balanced, well-coached football team," he said. "They run and pass extremely well. They like to bootleg pass off the run and that's tough to defend. Defensively, they are a real solid team. You can get yards but you don't get many points."

Wade Hanson, senior wide receiver, said both teams will be ready to battle come Saturday.

"It's a big game because we're cross-state rivals," Hanson said. "They lost on Saturday, but they'll still be fired up for us."

Scott Courter, sophomore wide receiver, said the Hickory Stick looks good in Maryville and does not want to give it back.

"Last year we were able to go over there and take it back," Courter said. "I'm sure they'll be looking for revenge, but we want to keep it for a while."

Daniel Keys, junior defensive

Cross country squads will compete at regional meet

by Wendy Broker
University Sports Editor

The final step before nationals will be taken this weekend as the cross country teams travel to Kenosha, Wis., for the Great Lakes regional meet.

The men, ranked fifth in last week's regional coaches' poll and 18th in the national poll, will attempt to finish in the top five, which will enable them to travel back to Kenosha in two weeks for the NCAA Division II national meet.

If the men win the opportunity to appear at the national meet, it will mark the first time in over 10 years the team has done so.

Juniors Robby Lane, Don Ferree,

Brian Cornelius and Corey Parks, along with sophomores Matt Johnson and Bryan Thornburg and freshman Mike Ostreko will be running for the 'Cats.

Rich Alsop, men's head coach, said this is the meet that will determine the rest of the men's season.

"This is an exciting time of year," Alsop said. "This is a washroom meet. If you run good, you don't take the uniforms to the washroom to stay, you don't run well and you put them away. It's basically D-day. This is it."

Potential is not a problem for the men, it is performance at this particular meet that will make the difference.

"The men need to have some courage to race as well as they train," Alsop said. "It will be important if

we're going to move on, to have two or three of the men really step it up and live up to their potential. We have come along way, we just need to continue."

The road to the national championship will not be easy for the men.

"No one will just give us that fifth-place finish (needed to make nationals)," Alsop said. "We will have to work awfully hard to get there. We have no fear of anybody, though. Everyone will start and finish at the same place."

Women seek to return to nationals

The women's cross country team is vying for a repeat appearance at the NCAA national meet with a fourth-place or higher finish at the Great

Lakes regional meet this weekend.

Taking the starting line for the Bearcats will be seniors Kathy Kearns, Carrie Sindelar and Dana Luke, along with juniors Lindsey Borgstadt and Jen Miller and freshman Meghan Carlson. The women's seventh runner will either be sophomore Becca Glassel or freshman Sarah Handrup, pending coach Bud Williams' decision.

Williams said the team will advance to the national meet if their performance at regionals is consistent with past races.

"It is only reasonable and realistic that if we run our own races and perform at the level of our ability, we will qualify for the national meet," Williams said. "It will be dif-

ficult for us to beat Lewis (University), a perennial power. We will try to challenge them and just hope for the best."

The Bearcats, currently ranked second in the region and eighth in the nation, are expected to finish second in the meet to Lewis, but Williams acknowledges nothing is set in stone.

"Ratings don't mean anything until the race is run. Each day when you race, you have to prove you are as good as the polls say," Williams said. "No one will just lie down and play dead just because Northwest arrives on the scene. We must remain injury free and healthy. Each of the women must run well, because there are teams out there just waiting to knock us off."

Griffons smash Bearcat spikers

by Wendy Broker
University Sports Editor

The Griffons sent the Bearcats back to Maryville with a 3-0 loss.

Missouri Western State College, No. 1 in the conference, came out strong, beating the 'Cats in three straight, 6-15, 8-15, 15-17.

Jennifer Waldron, junior outside hitter, picked up 12 kills and 17 digs, while Diann Davis, senior middle hitter, notched four blocks. Freshman setter Abby Wilms added 42 assists.

The team finished last weekend's Drury College Tournament with a 3-1 record losing only to the University of Alabama-Huntsville.

In the 'Cats last game of the tournament, they faced Drury College, and came out on top after three games, 15-3, 15-7, 15-4.

Abby Sunderman, freshman middle hitter, led the team with 15 kills, while Jill Quast, freshman outside hitter, added 17 digs and Wilms

tacked on 33 assists and 15 digs.

To start off the day Saturday, the women played Central Arkansas taking the match in three games, 15-3, 15-7, 15-13.

Quast and Sunderman each racked up 11 kills, as junior Jennifer Waldron added 11 assists.

Friday night, the women of Lyon College tried to knock the Bearcats off but came up short. The 'Cats won the first two, 15-2, 15-7, lost the third 14-16, and came back to win the match with a 15-4 score in game four.

Davis helped facilitate the win with 12 kills and nine blocks. Quast tallied 12 kills and 13 digs as well.

In the Bearcats opening game of the tournament, they fell to Huntsville in a four game match, 11-15, 15-10, 15-5, 17-15.

The weekend showed improvement in the women's defense.

"This weekend we saw a lot of team improvement, and blocking, probably the hardest skill, was our No. 1 improvement," head coach

Sarah Pelster said. "Since we changed our defense, we have been picking up more of the junk in the middle that maybe hurt us in the past."

Along with building a successful record this weekend, the Bearcat women broke some school records.

Davis put her name on two records after the weekend, breaking her old record in block assists with 151, and also taking the record for total blocks with 223. Davis is ranked No. 2 in the nation in blocks.

Wilms broke Jennifer Pitttrich's 1995 record for assists in a season with 1,494. She is now No. 5 in career assists at Northwest and stands at No. 9 in the nation in assists (as of Oct. 26).

Quast created a new mark of 571 for most digs in a season, breaking Stacy Hoelscher's 1989 record, and is now No. 14 in the nation in digs.

"This shows that we have a great class of volleyball players here," Pelster said. "We have made great strides with the young, inexperienced team we started this season out with."

Athletic Shorts

Runners honored for academics

The MIAA announced the 1997-98 Commissioner's Academic Honor Roll for cross country Monday.

Juniors Brian Cornelius, Don Ferree and Robby Lane, along with sophomores Matt Brownsberger, Josh Heihn, Matt Johnson and Eric Rector all received the honor.

Five Northwest women also received the honor. Seniors Kathy Kearns, Dana Luke and Carrie Sindelar, as well as junior Lindsey Borgstadt and sophomore Stacey Otte were named to the Commissioner's list.

In order to be named to the honor roll, athletes must have a cumulative grade-point average of 3.0 or better, must have attended their present MIAA school at least two semesters, not including summers, and must be a sophomore, junior or senior in athletic eligibility.

Weather causes postponement

Inclement weather has caused the flag football championships to be pushed back until next week.

In the sorority division, Alpha No. 1 defeated Sigma Kappa Maroon to reach the championship. Alpha No. 1 will play Sigma Kappa Sphinxer Kickers, who defeated Sigma Black. The game is scheduled for 4 p.m. Monday in Rickenbrode Stadium.

In the men's division, Team US pulled out a victory over the Counting Crows to reach the championship. They will face Team Pritchett who defeated Jugband. The championship game will be played at 4:45 p.m. Monday in Rickenbrode.

In the fraternity division, Sigma Phi Epsilon Ep Yours, who squeaked out a victory over Phi Sigma Kappa Chodes, will play the Delta Chi Rebels, who beat the Sig Ep Purple Helmets. The matchup will be at 4:45 p.m. Tuesday in Rickenbrode.

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'Hounds win, improve to 9-0

by Scott Summers
Community Sports Editor

Senior night provided a spark for a few members of the Maryville football team, but the 'Hounds hardly needed the extra motivation, crushing Lincoln Academy 53-0.

Defense was Maryville's money-maker last Friday night as it has been all season.

The Spoofhounds intercepted six passes and held Lincoln Academy to minus four yards rushing.

Senior quarterback John Otte said the 'Hounds are always going to be a challenge for opposing offenses.

"Our defense played great (against Lincoln Academy)," Otte said. "There are not too many teams out there that can score on our defense."

The Spoofhounds struggled to get their offense going early on, but once they did, they blew the Tigers away.

"We were a little rusty at the start," Otte said. "We didn't do all that well, but we played well enough to win."

Grant Sutton, senior running back, put Maryville on the scoreboard with a 21-yard touchdown carry late in the first quarter.

The 'Hounds began the second quarter just as they had ended the first — with a touchdown. This time, Andy Mackey, senior running back, plunged into the end zone from three yards out. Following a missed extra point, Maryville led 13-0.

Minutes later, Otte found his cousin, Adam Otte, junior running back, who streaked 35 yards for a touchdown.

Sutton scored his next touchdown just before halftime when he intercepted a pass and returned it 34 yards for the score. The 'Hounds took a 25-0 lead into the locker room at the break after missing a 2-point conversion attempt.

Adam Weldon, senior running back, started things quickly for Maryville in the second half, scoring on a 7-yard touchdown carry early in the third quarter. John Otte's 2-point conversion run made the score 33-0.

One play is all the 'Hounds needed to pad their lead. Sutton scampered 57 yards for his third touchdown of the game to give the Spoofhounds a 39-point advantage over the Tigers.

Maryville's final two touchdowns came on runs by Jason Cracraft,

“There are not too many teams out there that can score on our defense.”

■ John Otte, senior quarterback Maryville High School



Senior linebacker Grant Sutton and junior linebacker John Edmonds converge on the ball during last Friday's game. Sutton tipped the pass before finally intercepting it and returning it 34 yards for a touchdown during the win.

Jennifer Meyer/Photography Director

Cornhuskers deserve spot atop rankings



■ Scott Summers

Welcome to the show. Armchair quarterbacks take note: This will be the biggest weekend of college football so far this season.

Two of the nation's undefeated

teams are sure to fall. Either Florida State or North Carolina and Penn State or Michigan will fall from the ranks of the unbeaten when they battle each other in head-to-head competition.

Nebraska remains the top-ranked team in all the land after romping the Oklahoma Sooners 69-7 in a contest (by definition only) between two of college football's biggest rivals.

Second-ranked Florida State is the only team with a remote chance of knocking off the Huskers.

Look for the national championship to be on the line when Nebraska and Florida State meet Jan. 2 in Miami at the Orange Bowl.

Sad as it sounds, the 'Noles could beat the Huskers if they can control Nebraska's potent running attack. Don't bet on it.

The most overrated team in the polls is Penn State. For the first few weeks of the season, the Nittany Lions looked as if they might give coach Joe Paterno another title.

After two near losses — the first, a 16-15 squeaker to unranked Minnesota, and this week's 30-27 win over Northwestern, Penn State is lucky to hold onto a No. 3 ranking.

Michigan is playing solid football, — nothing spectacular, but the Wolverines are getting the job done.

There are only two or three teams in the country that could beat Michigan on its home field. The Wolverines' home stadium seats 102,500 screaming Michigan fans. Now, that is home field advantage.

Did anyone else realize North Carolina had a football team before this year? It's true. I looked it up.

The Tar Heels' success this season will undoubtedly come to an end when they meet Florida State this weekend, but it was a good ride.

Here is what next week's top 10 should look like:

1. Nebraska
2. Florida State
3. Michigan
4. Washington
5. Penn State
6. North Carolina
7. Kansas State
8. Ohio State
9. Tennessee
10. Georgia

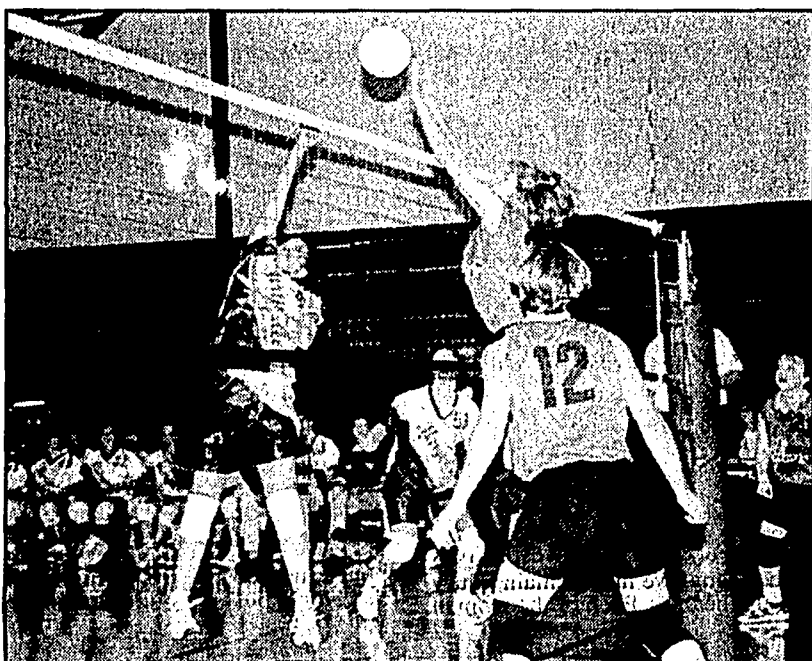
A few notable teams are missing from the list — primarily Florida and Colorado.

Although the Gators may still haunt some opponents, their offense is less powerful than last year's championship squad.

The reason for Colorado's sudden demise is a mystery. Sure, Missouri has a better football team than in past years, but a team as talented as Colorado should never fall to the Tigers.

I guess that proves anything can happen in the strange world of college football.

Scott Summers is the community sports editor for the Northwest Missourian.



Senior Kerl Lohafer spikes the ball as an opposing player goes up for a block. The volleyball team finished its season with a 20-4 record.

File photo

Volleyball squad's season ends following disappointing match

by Mark Milosovich
Missourian Staff

The Maryville girls' volleyball team found an obstacle on the way to its first district championship Thursday.

Platte County put a sudden end to the team's season with a 15-2, 15-8, victory over the 'Hounds.

"The team was very disappointed and upset," head coach Gregg Winslow said. "They know they didn't play to their ability and could have won the match."

This match meant a lot to the Maryville players.

"We were very disappointed because we wanted to go on," senior Abby Lade said. "It was sad because

being a senior, it was my last game."

After defeating Platte County earlier in the season, the team was never really into this match.

"We were too nervous and didn't have our heads in the game," senior Kerl Lohafer said. "We played bad, and they were really pumped up and played great."

After an impressive 20-4 season, losing at districts did not make the season a failure.

"The players were too tight being in a situation that they have never been in before," Winslow said. "After the match, they were depressed, but I told them by no means should this loss take away from anything this year."

The team won two tournaments

this season and captured a share of the conference title, both of which were school firsts.

"This season we did really well and accomplished a lot of our goals for the season," Lohafer said.

This year's squad loses five seniors who brought talent and leadership to the squad. Of the five, three earned all-district honors.

Winslow said next year's team has the capability of being successful.

"We will miss the seniors, but the cupboard is not bare," Winslow said. He is referring to five juniors who saw playing time and the junior varsity team, which had a 19-1 record.

The team hopes it has the valuable experience to lead it into battle next season.

Cross country team sends lone runner to state meet

■ Senior harrier qualifies to run at final competition in Jefferson City Saturday

by Mark Hornickel
Chief Reporter

The harriers' season came to a close, and one runner accomplished her goal of getting to the state meet last Saturday.

Senior Courtney Conley achieved two goals at the district meet — to medal at every meet this season and qualify for state.

Conley said her coaches helped get her motivated to do as well as she could.

"Heidi (Metz, assistant coach) said before the race, 'Who wants it?,' and I was like, 'I want it,'" Conley said.

Head coach Ron Eckerson was excited with Conley's performance.

"I'm very happy for Courtney," Eckerson said. "The state meet is a good experience. It's always tough at state. Just to make it there is wonderful. If she can get the same time (as this week), she'll do very well."

Conley will run at 11:40 a.m. Saturday in Jefferson City.

Freshman Jennifer Heller was the next 'Hound finisher after Conley. She finished the race with a time of 23:51.

Junior Laura Loch came next with a time 25:50 and sophomore Amy Eckerson ended with a time of 28:11. Sophomore Kerry Wilmes finished the race in a time of 31:24.

The girls' team finished in seventh place, scoring 137 points at the district race.

In the varsity boys' race, senior Brian Jewell failed to return to the state competition finishing at a time of 18:38.

"It was a pretty fast moving race," Jewell said. "I was hoping for a time in the lower 18s. A little bit of my mental (mind) got into it."

Junior Jason Felton, who was trying to reach the state meet for the first

time, missed a chance with a time of 19:20.

"I wanted to run the best I could," Felton said. "I started out fast and I just didn't have enough at the end."

Eckerson said Jewell and Felton could have helped themselves at the beginning of the race by getting a better start.

"Brian (Jewell) probably could've qualified, but Jason (Felton) just didn't have the go power," Eckerson said.

Junior Dustin Coulter was the next runner with a time of 20:03. Junior Nate Harris earned a time of 22:28, while freshman Adam Messner took a time of 23:44.

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Football

Northwest

Saturday, Nov. 1
Central Missouri State at Northwest
CMSU 3 3 0 3 — 9
NWMSU 7 17 7 10 — 41

First Quarter
CMSU — FG Meyer 45, 9:57
NW — Lane 2 run (Pumell kick), 5:14
Second Quarter
NW — Greisen 5 run (Pumell kick), 14:56
CMSU — FG Meyer 22, 7:30
NW — Hanson 20 pass from Greisen (Pumell kick), 2:19
NW — FG Pumell 46, 0:00
Third Quarter
NW — Hanson 2 pass from Greisen (Pumell kick), 4:30
Fourth Quarter
NW — FG Pumell 37, 11:50
CMSU — FG Meyer 29, 8:21
NW — Evans 27 run (Pumell kick), 7:34

The Bearcats are 9-0 on the season and ranked No. 4 in the nation. Northwest will play 1 p.m. Saturday in Rickenbrode Stadium.

MIAA Standings

Conference			Overall			
	W	L	W	L	Pts.	PA
NWMSU	7	0	9	0	362	103
PSU	6	1	7	1	254	113
TSU	6	1	6	2	269	166
ESU	4	3	6	3	350	234
MSSC	4	3	5	3	201	198
CMSU	3	4	4	5	274	253
MWSC	2	5	4	5	199	203
WU	2	5	3	6	182	203
UMR	1	6	2	7	114	256
SBU	0	7	0	8	66	325

NCAA Division II Poll

School (State)	(Record)	Points
1. Carson-Newman (Tenn.)	(8-0)	80
2. New Haven (Conn.)	(8-1)	76
3. Angelo State (Texas)	(8-0)	71
4. Northwest	(9-0)	69
5. Texas A&M-Kingsville	(7-1)	63
6. Albany State (Ga.)	(8-0)	60
7. North Dakota	(7-1)	57
8. Slippery Rock (Pa.)	(8-1)	52

9. West Georgia	(7-1)	48
10. Pittsburg State (Kan.)	(7-1)	44
11. Tie-Shepherd (W. Va.)	(8-0)	38
Western State (Colo.)	(6-2)	38
13. Northern Colorado	(7-2)	31
14. Southern Arkansas	(7-1)	26
15. Grand Valley State (Mich.)	(8-1)	25
16. New Mexico Highlands	(7-2)	20
17. North Alabama	(7-2)	15
18. Truman State	(6-2)	12
19. Ashland (Ohio)	(8-1)	6
20. UC-Davis	(5-4)	5

Midwest Regional Rankings

1. Northwest
2. North Dakota
3. Pittsburg State
4. Northern Colorado
5. Truman State
6. Nebraska-Omaha
7. North Dakota State

8. Emporia State
9. Winona State
10. Missouri Southern

At the end of the regular season schedule, only the top 4 teams will advance to the NCAA Division II playoffs. The higher ranked team will have home-field advantage.

Division II Key Matchups for Nov. 8

Indianapolis at Ashland
UC-Davis at Grand Valley
Slippery Rock at Shippensburg
Shepherd at Glenville State
Northern Colorado at South Dakota State
Truman at Northwest
Texas A&M-Kingsville at Abilene Christian
Angelo State at Texas A&M-Commerce
New Mexico Highlands at Nebraska-Kearney
Carson-Newman at Newberry College
Albany Central at N.C. Central
West Georgia at North Alabama

Southern Arkansas at N.E. Oklahoma State
Valdosta State at Central Arkansas
Clark Atlanta at Morehouse
Fayetteville State at Livingstone

MIAA Schedule

Thursday, Oct. 6
Missouri Western @ Pittsburg State
Saturday, Oct. 8
Emporia State @ Missouri-Rolla
Missouri Southern @ Southwest Baptist
Truman State @ Northwest
Washburn @ Central Missouri

Saturday, Oct. 15
Northwest @ Emporia State
Pittsburg State @ Washburn
Southwest Baptist @ Missouri-Rolla
Central Missouri @ Missouri Western
Truman State @ Missouri Southern

Maryville High School

Friday, Oct. 31
Lincoln Academy at Maryville
Lincoln 0 0 0 0 — 0
Maryville 7 18 21 7 — 53

First Quarter
M — Sutton 21 run (Pederson kick)
Second Quarter
M — Mackey 3 run (kick failed)
M — Adam Otto 35 pass from John Otto (run failed)
M — Sutton 34 interception return (run failed)
Third Quarter
M — Weldon 7 run (John Otto run)
M — Sutton 57 run (kick failed)
M — Cracraft 8 run (Pederson kick)
Fourth Quarter
M — Cracraft 2 run (Pederson kick)

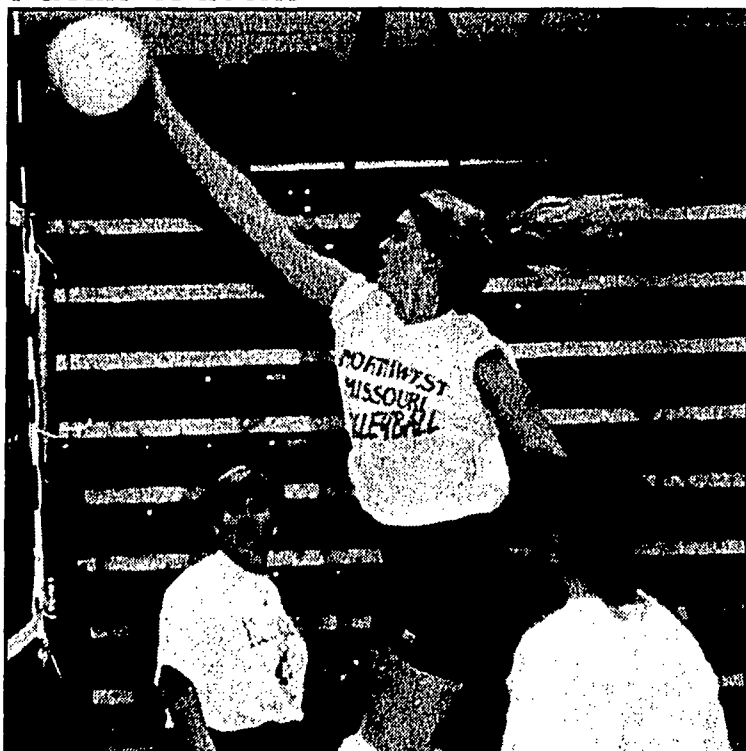
	'Hounds	Tigers
First Downs	10	5
Rushing	244	74
Passing Yards	72	73
Total Yards	316	69

The Spoofhounds are 9-0 on the season and ranked No. 1 in the state. Maryville will play at 7 p.m. Friday at Platte County.

Intramural Points

Fraternity	Sorority
Sig Ep	302
TKE	245
Delta Chi	241
Phi Sig	215
AKL	188
Kappa Sig	25
Alpha Sig	183
Tri-Sigma	168
Phi Mu	163
Sigma Kappa	151
Delta Zeta	55

Puttin' it down



Diann Davis, senior middle hitter, spikes the ball in Tuesday's practice. The Bearcats lost to Missouri Western, 6-15, 8-15, 15-17, Wednesday. Davis recorded four blocks in the conference matchup.

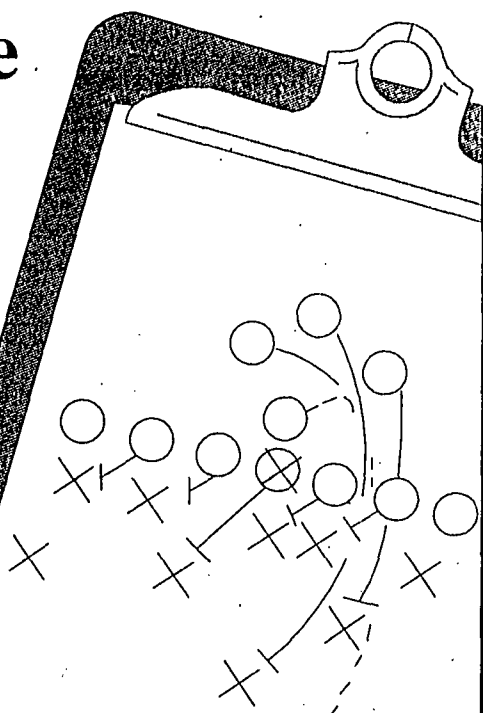
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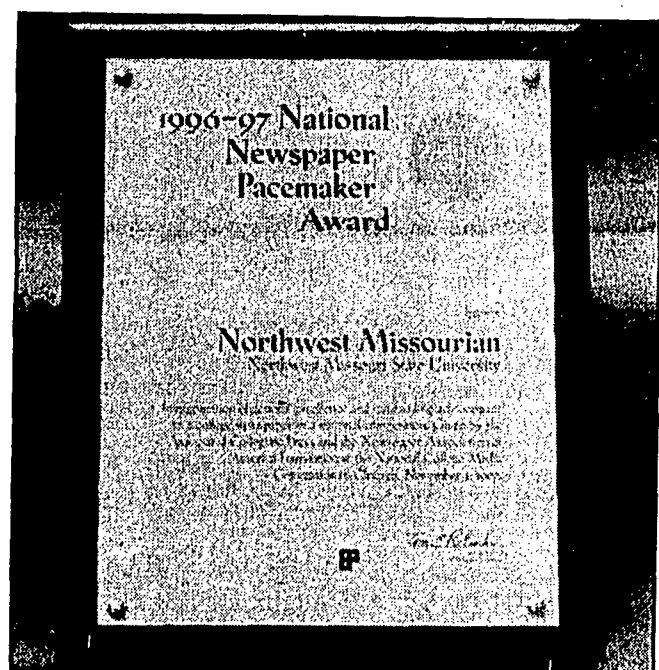
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Speaking out: Sigma Sigma Sigma sponsors 3rd annual silent walk

Story by
Brian Starkey
and Heather Butler

Type the word, MISSING, he said. I kept repeating to myself: 'This can't be true' She is just late, not MISSING. Yet, even at that very moment, unknown to all of us, Stephanie was going to be missing for the rest of our lives."

These words echoed through the mind of Stephanie Schmidt's father, Gene, two days before her 20th birthday, July 2, 1993.

Stephanie was murdered and raped by a restaurant co-worker who was on an early release program from prison after raping another female. Stephanie had no prior knowledge of his history because laws at the time protected criminals from revealing their pasts.

Awareness may have prevented Stephanie's death. The only mistake she made was to accept a ride from a friend, and co-worker, whose violent past was kept silent — a silence that left Stephanie fatally unaware.

After finding her body 27 days later, Stephanie's family Gene, Peggy, her mother, and Jeni, her sister, refused to allow the silence to remain. The day after Stephanie was buried, the Schmidt's formed a task force.

Since Stephanie's death, her family has passed six major bills in Kansas and testified on the federal level regarding sex-offender registration and sexual predator laws. They continue to work to change laws and attitudes and to restore common sense in the judicial system.

"We cannot continue to hide the criminal's past and assume that his punishment and incarceration have rehabilitated him," Gene said. "Nor can we continue to release known violent offenders back into our society without public notification."

In addition to speaking on awareness and legal issues, the family began The Stephanie Schmidt Foundation and founded a S.O.S. (Speak Out for Stephanie) Chapter at Pittsburg State University.

Less than one year after Stephanie's death, the foundation put into effect the Stephanie Schmidt Sexual Predator Act and made it a law.

Since Stephanie's death, The Stephanie Schmidt Foundation that was started in Pittsburg State is supported at Northwest.

The S.O.S. Chapter at Northwest will sponsor the third annual Silent Walk Nov. 12 around campus To protest violent crime, sexual assault and rape. The walk will begin with guest speakers at 7:45 p.m. Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia members will sing at the event.

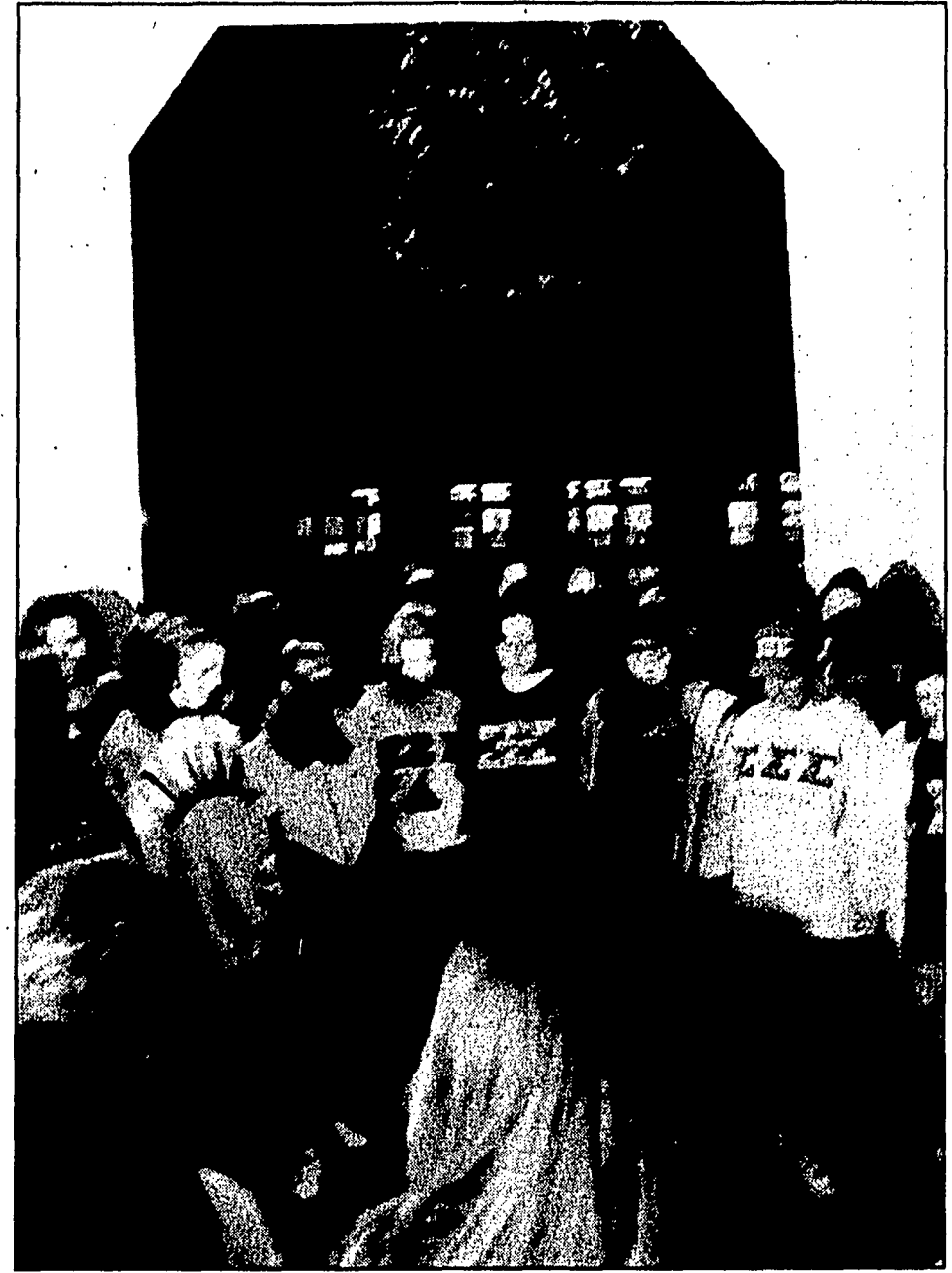
The S.O.S. Chapter was founded at Northwest through the local Sigma Sigma Sigma chapter, because of the untimely death of a member, Karen Hawkins.

Hawkins was last seen April 21, 1996. A miss-



ABOVE: Women of Sigma Sigma Sigma participate in the first Silent Walk for the S.O.S. Foundation in 1995. The walk had about 500 participants; 1,000 on Nov. 12

are expected. RIGHT: Members of Tri Sigma gather after the second annual silent walk. They found support from their sisterhood while remembering Karen Hawkins.



S.O.S. Pledge

I promise to never be silent whenever human beings endure suffering and humiliation. I will always take sides, because I know that neutrality only helps the oppressor, never the victim.

I will Speak Out because I know that silence only encourages the tormentor, never the tormented. I will interfere when human lives are endangered or when human dignity is in jeopardy.

I will Speak Out. I am only one, but still I am one. I cannot do everything, but still I can do something. And because I cannot do everything, I will not refuse to do the something that I can do.

This I promise as each new day dawns.

Laws affected by S.O.S.

Aug. 4, 1993 — The Stephanie Schmidt Task Force was formed. By November, five legislative bills were drafted regarding repeat sex offenders.

April 9, 1994 — Only nine months after her death, The Stephanie Schmidt Sexual Predator Act became a retroactive law to all Kansas sex offenders.

May 5, 1994 — All other bills are signed by Gov. Finney: The Sex-Offender Registration Act allowed for the public release of registered sex offenders names; increased sentencing time for second time offenders; and changed falsification of information by a sex offender from a misdemeanor to a felony.

March 2, 1996 — The Kansas Supreme Court struck down the Sexual Predator Act as unconstitutional because the act used the words "mental abnormality" instead of "mental illness." The decision has been appealed to the U.S. Supreme Court.

April 6, 1996 — The Kansas Supreme Court upheld the constitutionality of the Sex Offender Registration law with public access to the information. Newspapers are encouraged to print the information regarding the released sex offenders who have had to register since April of 1994.

June 23, 1997 — The U.S. Supreme Court upheld the Stephanie Schmidt Sexual Predator Law. Thirty-three states immediately file for similar legislation. Information compiled by The Stephanie Schmidt Foundation.

“Unknown to all of us, Stephanie was going to be missing for the rest of our lives.”

■ Gene Schmidt, father of Stephanie

ing persons report was filed after Hawkins had not returned home after driving Dennis Jones, a friend and co-worker, home. Later that evening, Jones revealed to Maryville Public Safety that he had assaulted Hawkins to the point of death and had disposed of her body in the 102 River.

"There was much pain and suffering not only in our Sigma Chapter, but throughout campus as well," said Kerry Wells, Tri Sigma member. "Bringing an S.O.S. Chapter to Northwest was extremely important to keep Karen's memory alive and to give comfort to those that were tormented by such horrendous crimes."

The walk, and everything it symbolizes, gives those involved a gratifying feeling.

"When we were asked last year to sing at the walk, we were extremely honored," said Dave Catherall, Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia member. "We wanted to perform something difficult and special because of what the walk represents."

Everyone is encouraged to participate in the walk regardless of their affiliation.

"Personally, I believe that it is an honor to be involved because of everything that the Schmidt's have accomplished," said Heather Cutler, education director for Tri Sigma. "The walk is free, so I encourage everyone to attend."

The Schmidt's, and everyone who speaks out for Stephanie, continue their quest for vigilance to change laws, attitudes and lives.

Get on the Stick

We got back the Hickory Stick last year, now we need your support to keep it. Help us clinch the MIAA Conference Championship Saturday when we take on Truman State. Hearing the sound of an energetic crowd really pushes us to give it our all, so head out to Rickenbrode Stadium Saturday and let's run Truman State out of town without the Stick.

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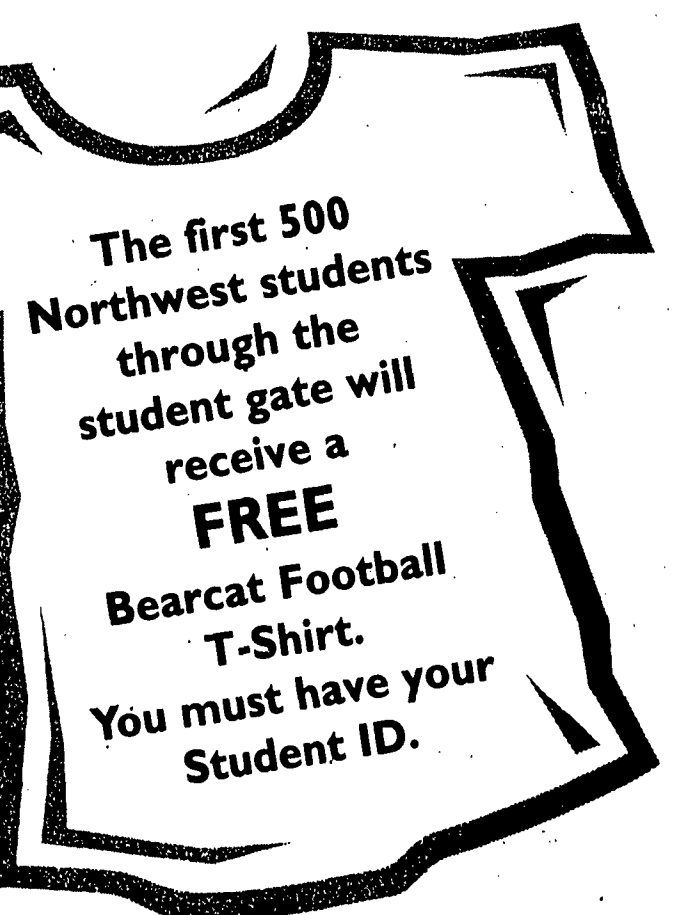
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The Stroller

Columnist's humor isn't funny



The Stroller

Your Man distinguishes between facts, fiction in local editorial

I just wanted to apologize for the quality of last week's article, it was bad. I wrote it, submitted it to the editor and hoped nothing would be cut. But much like 2 Live Crew, I was censored. They feel I should cool things down a little bit. I think the only thing that should cool down is the weather, so I see no reason why I can't stir up a little heat.

Another person stirring up a little bit a heat is Tate Sinclair, a Maryville Daily Forum writer. For those of you that didn't even know that Maryville had a daily paper, I'll bring you up to date. For you, Tate, here is your 15 minutes of fame; so grab your scissors and add this one to your scrapbook.

Sinclair's article starts off by saying that only the administration and staff of Northwest recognize the symbiotic (both parties serve each other equally) relationship between Maryville and the University. If you haven't noticed, the administration and staff of Northwest are permanent inhabitants of Maryville, making the relationship self serving, which is far from symbiotic. In fact, the relationship between the students and Maryville is extremely parasitic. Look at it this way, students are visitors to Maryville. Let's call them vacationers here for eight months out of the year to learn and have fun. We drop all of our hard earned money, our parent's money and the government's money, back into a community that we essentially don't belong to. Despite the abundance of industry in Maryville, if the school would close today, Maryville would die a slow death. Students could survive without Maryville, making the relationship one sided or parasitic. The average student needs roughly \$10,385 to survive, and not lavishly, one year at Northwest. There are approximately 6,200 students attending Northwest. The students alone generate \$64,387,000 to Maryville's commerce. Take that away from the 'Ville and see what would happen. Many businesses do offer valuable services and sometimes kickbacks, but the relationship is not symbiotic.

Sinclair also expressed his disgust for the communications department at Northwest. He said, "The Stroller is an anonymous columnist who can shoot his (or her) mouth off without fear of retribution. Each week, along with ridiculing the Greek system, the Stroller takes cheap shots at Maryville, anytime he can." This job is not free from retribution. I, along with other Stroller suspects, have been threatened not only physically, but verbally and electronically (e-mail). Yes, I have poked fun at Northwest and the Greek system, which I happen to be part of both. But I have never taken "a cheap shot" at Maryville — I've read every article, I should know. The Stroller is not meant to be accurate, it's meant to be amusing. If you want to read something constructive, do the

crossword puzzle to the right.

Sinclair goes to the other side of the communications department and criticizes "Maryville Tonight's" host Chris Stigall. Sinclair said, "Chris Stigall is nothing but a high school ham and loudmouth, that has never grown up." Sinclair, why such a low blow? Even I haven't picked one person out and just ridiculed them.

Sinclair also goes on to stick up for the construction workers on campus. He said, "Those men are out there working every day in tunnels and holes most college students are scared to go around, let alone spend a day digging. What does Chris, the host, do? Why he ridicules them for being stupid and lazy."

Yes, reread that last sentence, there's a typo and it's exactly the way it appeared in the Forum. Tate, you should have had someone proofread your articles, especially when you are criticizing someone for being stupid and lazy.

By the way Sinclair, it is not only our right, but our duty to criticize those construction workers because they work for us. They have given us completion dates which have not been met. For students who have a classroom that is near a construction crew, you know that they are not working to their full potential. And Sinclair, the reason we are in college is so we don't have to dig holes and tunnels. He also points out that the workers will do more work while in Maryville than Stigall will ever do.

You know Sinclair, if you look at it in a physics perspective, you're right. Work equals force multiplied by mass. Chris only pushes pens as opposed to those heavy steam pipes. Yes Stigall, I am sticking up for you. The condom joke in front of the Eugene Field student was in poor taste, but you never claimed to have taste.

The part that bothered me the most about Sinclair's little article was his statement, "I'm all for free speech, and if the University wants to give these people this kind of power, that's their choice." Sinclair, you should know that it's not the University that gives us the power, just as it's not Maryville that gives you the power to publish your opinions — it's the Constitution.

Sinclair, you must realize there's a huge difference in what Chris and I do and what you have written. What we do is satirical and meant to be entertaining. You have done nothing but criticize the University, that you once attended, in a harsh way. I tried to be nice in this article, but I hope Chris Stigall does not treat this the same way. I can't wait to see the next "Maryville Tonight." Give 'em hell, Chris.

The Stroller has been a tradition at Northwest since 1918 and does not reflect the views of the Missouriian.

Weekly Crossword

ACROSS

1. Pianist Peterson
6. Short race
10. Very, in Versailles
14. Fole gras source
15. Double-reed instrument
16. Delicate
17. Home of the Barbary apes (3 words.)
20. Airline

schedule

21. Fume
22. Manitoba Indians
23. Dichin of music
24. Bankrupt
25. Emulates the waiting
28. Tardy
31. Resin color
32. Broadway's Auntie

33. Bond rating

35. Lode's locale
36. Texas
37. Pivotal point
38. Complete
39. Countenance
40. Metaphysical poet of fame
41. Century components
44. Believes
45. Hockey great Bobby
46. Small store
47. Richard's second-

in-command

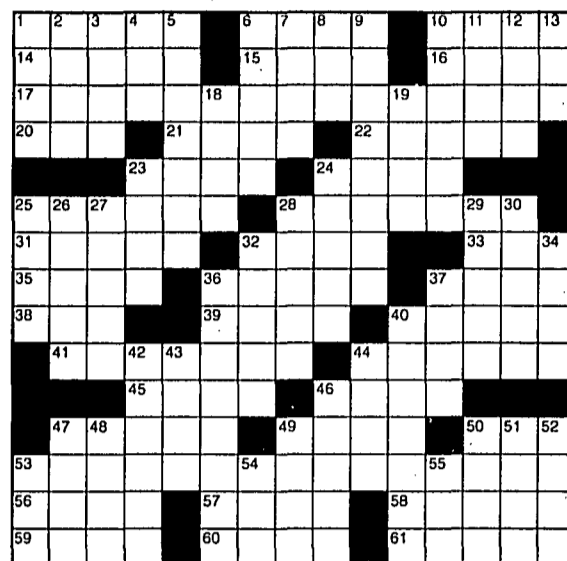
49. Defrost
50. Letter after sigma
53. Traits
56. Type of novel
57. Kin of lettuce and dough
58. Chilling
59. Certain
60. Seethe
61. Dog and bob

DOWN

1. Hobgoblin
2. Coal dust
3. Caesar's sidekick, once
4. "Go Alice"
5. New supply
6. Bag (restaurant leftovers)
7. Lover of an Irish Rose
8. Sister
9. Symbol of strength
10. Knack
11. Extreme function, e.g.
12. Periods in history
13. Hafez al-Assad's nation (abbr.)

Answers to last issue's puzzle

MOAN	FLO	BIKES
OHIO	REAP	IRATE
WALT	YORE	GALEN
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EMIT	RING	TIPSY
TOLERANT	POE	RIES
NAB	SKI	ONO
IRAN	INAST	USER
COLON	GLEE	SECT
EWING	FDR	ANTS



18. Short-lived money makers
19. Concert solo
23. Never Give a Sucker A Break
24. Invoice word
25. Surfboard support
26. Correct
27. Stomach
28. Reveals
29. Makes money
30. Intimidate
32. Actress King
34. Chopping tools
36. Yale products
37. Clever accomplishments
40. Nods off
42. Twitters
43. Special air
44. Siamese
46. Kate, e.g.
47. Evade
48. Bloodless
49. At a distance: prefix
50. Exhaust
51. It reddens blue litmus paper
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54. Make edging
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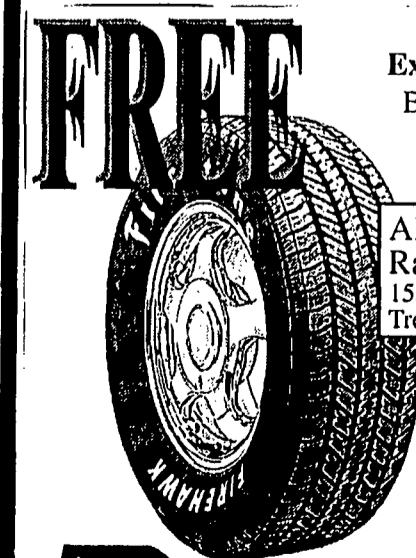
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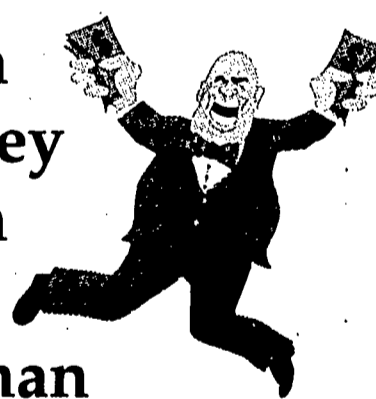
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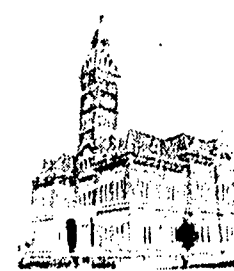
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City makes final street decisions

Council narrows its choices to 1 permanent, 4 asphalt overlays of maintenance project

by Nicole Fuller
Assignment Director

After careful consideration and discussion, Maryville City Council members made the final choice in the 1998 permanent and asphalt overlay street projects Monday.

They narrowed the final decision of the permanent street project to East Thompson Street. It will consist of nine blocks from South Vine Street to South Laura Street. They are hoping to be able to finish at least six blocks completely, and the other three will be finished depending on the cost.

"This will give us an opportunity to do a lot of blocks in a straight line which should mean we should get a lot of bang for our buck," mayor Bridget Brown said. "This is a street in grave need of repair and has been for a long time. And it is one of our biggest challenges in storm drainage."

The Council budgeted \$350,000 for the 1998 permanent street project. The East Thompson project is expected to cost around \$447,000.

For the asphalt overlay project they decided on East Jenkins Street, from South Vine Street to South Laura Street; the Sunset addition, Walnut Street, from West 12th to Lincoln streets; and Prather Avenue, from West 12th Street to North College Drive.

When the Council planned the budget, they included \$40,000 for storm water maintenance work.

Members decided since they have to do storm water maintenance on the new permanent street project, they would, if necessary, use some of the money toward that project, city manager David Angerer said.

"It is OK to take some (money), but not all," Angerer said. "We need to mix some of it with permanent street project (money) since we do some storm water on the permanent already."

The Council believes they could use about \$25,000 out of the \$40,000 budgeted. They will not know how much they will have to use until the bid comes back. Then Council members will determine how much they will need, Angerer said.

"After the meeting Monday night, first thing Tuesday morning, they called up the engineer," Angerer said. "The engineer can probably have it designed in four to six weeks."

After the designs are made, they will then put it up to bid for contractors. The Council is expecting this in early to mid-winter.

Brown said choosing which streets need improvement the most is not an easy thing.

"I think that there is not a person on City Council that would not only like to see us do every street right now and therefore it makes it difficult to make these kind of decisions," Brown said. "I am very pleased that we will look at that project, and I am hopeful that by having engineering completed on the entire length of Thompson (Street) we can be much more accurate in how we can complete that project."

Celebration of Quality



University President Dean Hubbard (above) accepts the Missouri Quality Award from Gov. Mel Carnahan at the awards banquet Wednesday night in Jefferson City, Northwest Celebration (right) performs at the awards banquet to support the University.

Chris Galtz/
Contributing Photographer



Awards banquet honors University's journey of excellence

by Jamie Hatz
Editor in Chief

It was a typical awards ceremony until they announced Northwest as the winner of the 1997 Missouri Quality Award for education — then Bearcat spirit filled the banquet room.

Noise makers, Bearcat cheerleaders along with Bobby Bearcat, Northwest Celebration and almost 300 students, administrators, faculty and staff uniquely accepted the award that ended our journey to quality.

"It is a marvelous feeling and enormous sense of pride," University President Dean Hubbard said. "I realize, and everyone else realizes, that this is not an individual award. You don't win this award unless everybody at the institution pulls together."

Northwest's greatest milestone was presented at the Missouri Quality Awards Presentation Banquet Wednesday night in Jefferson City.

The turnout made the event memorable for the University and the students.

"I never want to do something like this without students, because they make the difference out of a deal like this," Hubbard said. "They are the reason we do this."

The award, presented by Gov. Mel Carnahan, recognizes Missouri organizations that achieve excellence.

"I think all of the procedures, guidelines and suggestions involved in the quality movement has a wonderful affect on businesses and government," Carnahan said. "There is a great need for this type of award in the academic field and this is the second University to be recognized."

Quality is familiar to Carnahan and the University.

"There is just a huge amount of activity that goes on on campus in order to get this award," Carnahan said. "I think there will be benefits at Northwest Missouri State University for years to come from the effort that has already been put out, and there will be additional benefits from the new application."

Quality is a vision Hubbard established at Northwest.

"To have a quality institution everybody in the organization has to get up every morning and say what can I do to improve my part in this organization today?" Hubbard said. "That is what continuous quality is all about."

Continuous quality helps Northwest become recognized throughout the state.

"I think that it shows that at Northwest we truly do care about what we are doing and how we go about doing it," said Danny Marsh, president of the Board of Regents. "It is great to have the recognition, but the real winner is not Northwest. I think the real winner is the state of Missouri and the people who chose to come to our school."

The Award process offers a thorough and objective educational opportunity to learn and apply quality.

"The Missouri state award process is one of the premier award processes in the country," said John Jasinski, mass communications department chairman. "I am not biased either. I'd say it is in the top two or three, which means that it holds its organizations up to levels that are very high. It is why top organizations achieve excellence."

Excellence for this award does not happen overnight. Northwest has strived for this award for a long time.

"I saw Dr. Foster, our former president, and I thanked him because we need roots to win awards like this," Jasinski said. "We didn't start five or 10 years ago; people have been here for a long time. They didn't call it quality but they cared about the institution. They cared about the students. It is not about one person — it's about everyone."

Carnahan believes Northwest and the Missouri Quality Award are truly trendsetters.

"Other states are trying to pick up on this, but we are right at the head of the pack," Carnahan said. "We are one of the first to recognize our institution."

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Colden Hall will be finished by December

Building renovations bring new highlights to benefit student, faculty

by Burton Taylor
Missourian Staff

Renovations to Colden Hall are coming to a close with a completion date set for December.

The building will now be equipped with new features to benefit the students and faculty.

Randy Sharp, project manager of CPMI construction company, is in charge of all renovations in Colden Hall.

The renovations were originally supposed to cost about \$6.6 million, but will end up costing approximately \$7.2 million.

"From my understanding, the funds were collected from taxes paid on gambling and lottery proceeds," said Sharp.

The extra \$600,000 came from a grant given to Northwest from the Service Master Custodial Contractors. The other \$150,000 came from the campus budget, but according to Sharp the costs will have no effect on student tuition.

The project started in February of 1996, and in almost two years it has been gutted and equipped with many new highlights.

The first floor of Colden Hall will have computer-intensive classrooms including labs and lecture rooms. It will also have two distance learning rooms where students will be able to join other classes from around the country.

The second floor will consist of 82 faculty offices which will be filled with instructors from all over campus who had been moved from Colden Hall when the building was closed.

The instructors removed from Colden Hall currently have offices in other buildings such as Perrin and Colbert halls. They are scheduled to move back into Colden Hall after the semester break, even though some professors are not looking forward to the move.

"It is really an ordeal to move back. The offices in Perrin Hall are a lot nicer and have more space," English professor Mike Jewett said. "Besides, I enjoy walking around campus to get to my classes."

On the third floor of Colden Hall are 15 new classrooms, one lecture room with a capacity of 120 students and three conference rooms.

"We basically took the building and gutted it, tearing out everything from the ceilings to the concrete floors and then built it back," Sharp said.

One great feature according to Sharp is the old building used to have

only one handicap entrance, and will now be equipped with four, along with a new monumental central staircase to make getting to class a bit quicker.

Aside from having new walls, carpet and paint, CPMI also put in a new heating and cooling system.

The building now has fresh electrical wiring, all asbestos has been removed and an up-to-date sprinkler and fire alarm system was installed.

"We have been on a tight schedule and have had our share of problems," Sharp said. "But working on campus has been great."

Sharp said all of the work has been fairly quiet and done without really interfering with the students too much.

"Colden is like a little island," Sharp said. "You put some fencing around it, and we are totally isolated without getting in the way."

Some guests and alumni during Homecoming thought the building would be completed. Ray Courter, vice president of finance, is more than ready for the completion of the building as well.

"Everything should be up and running for the spring semester," Courter said.

“We basically took the building and gutted it, tearing out everything from the ceilings to the concrete floors and then built it back.”

■ Randy Sharp, project manager of CPMI construction company

Choices that affect the rest of your life

AIDS presentation brings awareness

by Mark Hornickel
Chief Reporter

Students learned the consequences of some choices can change the rest of their lives Tuesday evening.

Joel Goldman and T.J. Sullivan presented "Friendship in the Age of AIDS" in two performances at the Charles Johnson Theater.

The pair wanted to make the audience realize the disease can happen to anyone, but there is also a lot that can be done to fight it.

"I think a lot of college students don't think of this as an issue that affects them," Sullivan said. "It's our generation's Vietnam and we have to fight it."

The presentation began with a video about the AIDS quilt that was recently put on display in Washington, D.C.

Eventually, Sullivan introduced himself and told the story of his early days at college.

He talked of the first day he arrived as a college freshman and how he met Goldman. Sullivan described him as one of the members of the "perky squad," one of the people who try to convince new students to sign up for every organization on the campus.

Goldman was a senior and he had come from a strong family, and he was the president of his fraternity.

The pair became good friends, but something that neither of them expected happened — one became infected with the HIV virus.

Goldman moved to Chicago after college, but he continued to live the same life as he did in college — one that included a mixture of alcohol and promiscuity.

He even took an AIDS test, but it came out negative. Still, it served as a warning.

Goldman later returned to Indiana as the director of chapter services at his fraternity's headquarters. He was promoted twice and he was living a healthy life.

Then, five summers ago, Goldman started feeling sick. He didn't understand; he hadn't been drinking and he had been practicing safe sex. Still, he had the symptoms of HIV and his doctor suggested a blood test.

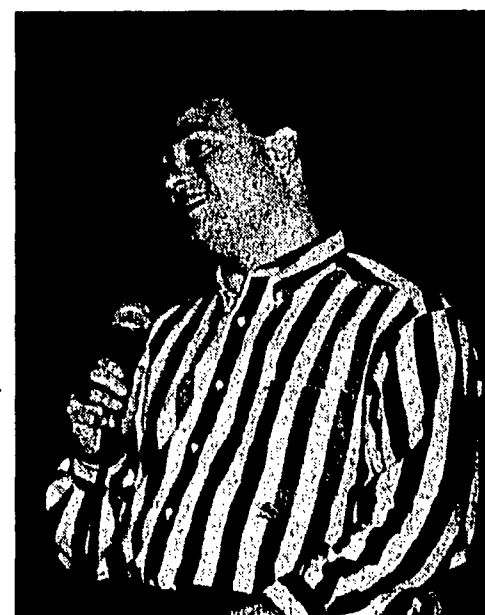
Although the results had previously been negative, it takes three weeks to six months for the antibodies to develop.

When the results came back, Goldman was diagnosed as HIV-positive.

He and his doctor spent the next 90 minutes discussing how to cope and how to fight the disease.

"My life began to spin out of control," Goldman said.

Then he watched the movie "Wall Street." Goldman said the main character's life was crashing down much like his was, and there was a part in the movie that put it in perspective for him.



Tim Kay/Chief Photographer
Joel Goldman speaks about his experiences with AIDS Tuesday night at the Charles Johnson Theater.

"That to me was, you get put in a bad situation," Goldman said. "You're facing the worst thing you could possibly face in your life and who you are depends on how you deal with it."

Goldman decided he could deal with the virus by teaching others about it.

First of all, he needed to call his family, co-workers, fraternity brothers and friends.

Goldman said he also tried to get

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Our View

OF THE UNIVERSITY

'Cats expect support for last home stand

The Northwest football team needs fans and needs them now.

Even with the pathetic crowd showing Saturday against Central Missouri State University, the team played a great game. But if the crowd support had been there, who knows what the game could have been like.

The Bearcats are rated No. 4 in the nation. Yet by the looks of the crowd, we looked like we weren't even ranked in Division II.

What is going on? We would understand if it was the week after Homecoming, or if we had a terrible team, but neither of those are true.

You, the fans, especially the students, will have a chance to redeem yourselves Saturday when the 'Cats take the home field against bitter rival Truman State University in the Hickory Stick game.

This will be the final regular season game for 11 seniors. Many of them played on the 1994 team which suffered an 0-11 mark.

Wouldn't it be a great touch for the players to go out with a perfect mark season? Well, it can only happen if they get the crowd support they deserve.

Some of the players were thinking on the sidelines last Saturday, "Didn't

we beat Pitt State the week before?" It looked to them as though they had lost the week before and had nothing to play for.

So wear layers of clothing if you think it's too cold or bring your umbrellas if you think it might rain; because true fans show up rain or shine.

The 'Cats have earned the right to expect fans to show up and watch them dismantle opponents. Now, they need students to show their support.

Why not paint your bodies green and white for the contest to show your true school colors?

Defensive coordinator Scott Bostwick said "We need the fans to come out in their green and make some noise."

The 'Cats need bizarre fans. Heck, the Bearcats just need fans. There is no need for the stands to be empty when you have a great product on the field.

The students disgraced the team last week, and this is your chance to make it up to them.

The Bearcats need to start filling the seats. So when the postseason comes a calling, the NCAA may not reward the home field to the 'Cats because Northwest will not make the NCAA enough money.

My Turn

Take advantage of time while you still have it



■ Nicole Fuller

Most people never think about death until it happens to someone they know or someone close to them.

I didn't realize how it could make a person analyze life. I was scared that someone very dear to me could just leave me at any moment.

The strangest thing happened to me just about two weeks ago.

One night at Wells Hall, two friends and myself were working on homework around midnight. The three of us started talking about people who have died in our family, and how many grandparents we had that were still alive.

When I said I had all four of them still with me, it dawned on me that I had not experienced a death of a grandparent.

I had only gone through the death of my great grandma while I was in elementary school. I was really close to her, so it made it hard to see her pass on. It made me very sad, but I had yet to experience the death of anyone in my immediate family.

I didn't really think anything else of the conversation we had until two weeks later when I got a phone call. It was from my best friend and she told me I needed to call home right away.

This made me nervous, and I asked her why. She just kept telling me to call home. I yelled at her and asked her why. She then proceeded to tell me that my grandpa had died. The only problem was that she forgot to tell me which grandpa.

I broke down in tears. I had a horrible time dialing my phone number at home. My dad answered the phone, and I asked him if there was something he needed to tell me.

He then told me that my Grandpa

Darmond, his father, had died. I took a deep breath. He asked me what was wrong and I told him I didn't know which grandpa it was. When I here grandpa I think of my Grandpa Max, because I usually just call him grandpa and the other one Grandpa Darmond.

The strangest thing about my Grandpa Darmond's death is that I am sad, but not in the mourning sense. I am more sad because I really did not know the man that I called grandpa. He was never around in my life when I was growing up. I think the hardest part of the funeral was knowing that I could never change anything because he was no longer there.

I also realized how hard it will be on me when my Grandpa Max does pass away, because he is very dear to me and I love him.

Another thing that crossed my mind about dying is the fact that I am two hours away from home. If something were to happen to my grandparents or my parents, I wouldn't be able to be there. I would lose the opportunity to say good-bye or see them again before they passed on. It would be the hardest thing to face.

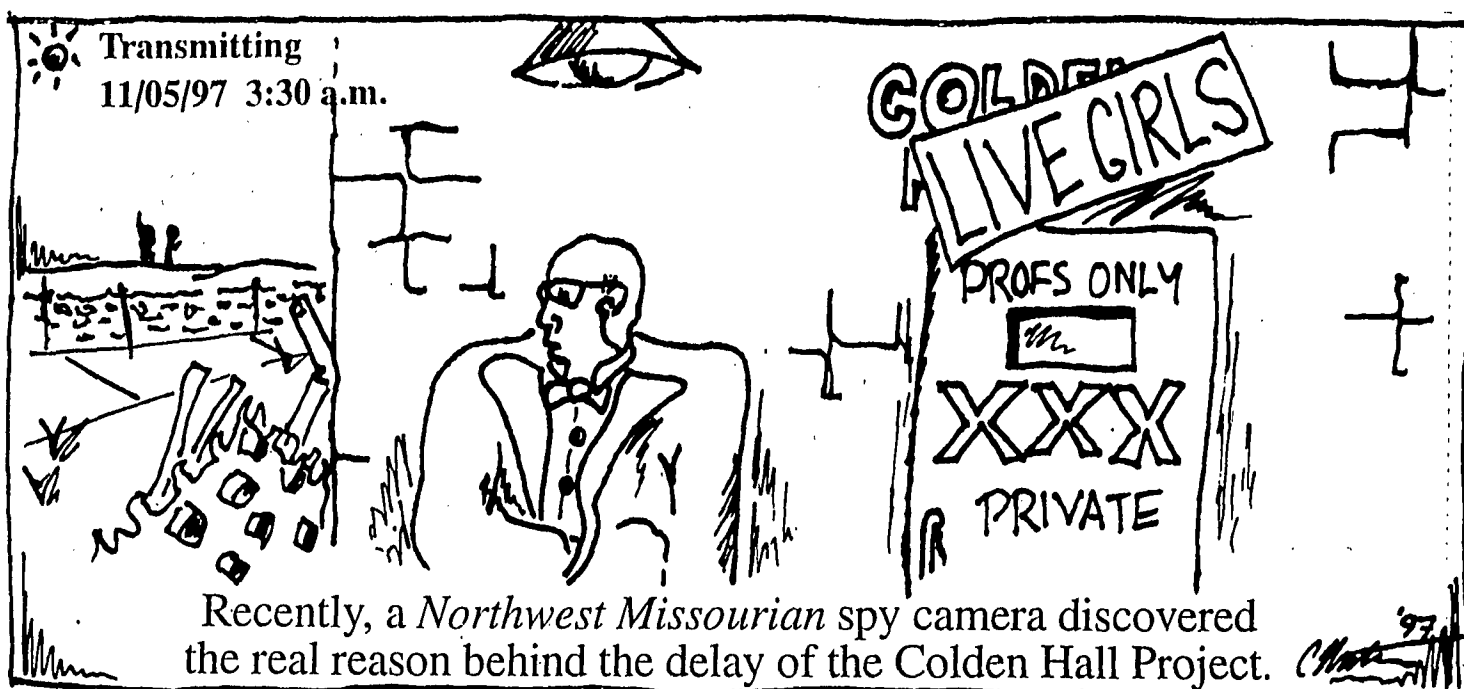
One thing that I do not fear is dying. Everyone is going to die and if it is my time, then it is my time to die. You cannot predict how long of a life one will live.

I did not spend a lot of my life knowing my Grandpa Darmond. I hope I can utilize every chance I have to talk to and visit with my grandparents. I will never know if I will get the chance to see them again, being away at college.

Sometimes in life one must stop and appreciate what they have and not just look to what they don't have.

If I would look to what I don't have I would be no where in life. I look to the love that both my parents and grandparents give me.

Nicole Fuller is the assignment director for the Northwest Missourian.



Recently, a Northwest Missourian spy camera discovered the real reason behind the delay of the Colden Hall Project.

University View

Why Northwest won the Quality Award



■ John Jasinski

University, community contribute to historic event

The Missouri Quality Award is a representative of a high performing organization at a variety of levels. Northwest has so many positives, and there are so many reasons we won the Missouri Quality Award.

Here are a few:

- The best students around.
- Environmental Service workers making this the most beautiful campus around.
- Horace Mann teachers giving their all for our children.
- Bobby Bearcat being Bobby Bearcat.

- The Alumni House and its warm, friendly people.
- Admissions folks — they pump out the work.

- Coach Tjeerdma and staff molding a team into greatness.
- The Ag farm, Scott and Alex.
- Academic technology.
- Orange construction fences meaning aggressive progress in our infrastructure.

- General education faculty caring deeply about what they do.
- Student Ambassadors.

- Marla in mass communication — always putting forth the extra effort.
- Wanda Auffert and company — always ahead of us on bid purchases.
- Computer Services — so many requests for little time.

- Ray Courter and his unbelievable tenacity on projects.
- The Faculty Senate and Support Staff Council — these people care.
- Our regional partnerships.
- John Nielsen and folks — too many electrical projects.
- University web sites.
- Cross country and tennis excellence.
- Del Morley and company — student financial assistance — ever a quiet time?
- Marolyn Alloway — computer program supreme.
- Green Tower Press.
- Custodians who work behind the scenes to make our workplace healthy and attractive.
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- The Noontime Basketball Association — hey these players have to be mentioned somewhere.
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ballgame.

■ Ron Heller delivering anything — man, what a workhorse.

■ The staff within payroll, encumbrance, etc. — hey we all need the money.

■ CAPS events.

■ The rec center.

■ Student Services Center — what did we do without it?

■ All of our student organizations — time and effort worthwhile.

■ The town of Maryville — an excellent home base.

■ Our retired faculty and staff — they set the building blocks.

■ An excellent provost — thanks Tim.

■ President Hubbard's constancy of purpose.

■ My wife and kids — support, support, support.

All those not mentioned — you all make Northwest special.

The Missouri Quality Award would not be possible without the perseverance of everyone in the Northwest family. The individuals, offices, activities and buildings listed above are some of those I come in contact with on a regular basis. My salute goes to everyone — thank you for contributing to a truly historic institutional event.

John Jasinski is the mass communication department chair.

My Turn

Need for reassurance comes back around



■ Jacob DiPietro

Mom continues support, comfort

I will always remember my first day of kindergarten. I was, at that point, an only child and always played with either the children in the neighborhood or my mom. I had no experience with being away from my mother or kids I didn't know — I was a mama's boy.

Well, needless to say the night before my first day of school, I couldn't sleep.

I was worried and intimidated about the next day's events. I remember crawling out of my bed, going into my parent's room and telling my mother I couldn't sleep because I had a bad dream.

It was a complete lie — but she didn't get mad or send me back to bed or give a few words of reassurance that it was just a dream.

Instead, she got up with me. We went downstairs and she explained all the fun I was going to have the next day.

I remember looking in her eyes and feeling completely at peace. She has a knack for reassuring me no matter how uncertain I feel. I calmed down and she spread a comforter on the living room floor and slept next to me.

The next day, I was nervous. So nervous, I didn't let my mom leave for most of the day. But after a while, I looked in her eyes and thought I could let her go.

Fast forward 12 years. My mom and I were traveling U.S. 71 to start my college career.

I was not nervous, and I didn't have trouble sleeping the night

before. I didn't need my mom to stay the day with me like before. In fact, part of me wanted her to leave.

But I realized it was my turn to calm and reassure her. For the first time, I was starting something new and I didn't need my mother to guide me through it. The roles were somewhat changed. I found myself comforting her. I told her I would be fine, it would be fun and I would make new friends.

Even to this day, halfway through my second year of college, I still wonder how my mom is feeling. Her eyes still comfort me, but now I know that I can do the same for her.

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Student gives thanks

Dear Editor,

Sometimes we get caught up in recognizing only the bad parts of our community. I would like everyone to know that there are good people, especially in Maryville.

Last Wednesday, the house I share with two roommates suffered a fire. The house has little damage and ev-

everyone is safe. The support I have received from neighbors and friends has been tremendous.

First, I would like to thank the Red Cross for all of their help. Two girls who live next door, were there to lend me their phone and support. The neighbors across the street were also wonderful.

I had not yet met them, but they were great. Everyone was quick to

offer help. I would like to thank the guys of South Newton Street for allowing me to crash on their couch and for putting up with me.

Also a big thanks to my friend Chad for all of his support. Most of all, I would like to thank the fire fighters. They responded quickly and did a fabulous job of controlling the fire.

Thank you to everyone.

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It's Your Turn

Why is the Citywide cleanup beneficial?



"It gives Maryville a more pleasant appearance and atmosphere."

Derek Berdine, Hy-Vee Sub Shop



"It helps people clean out their garage, so they can put their cars in them for the winter."

Dave Sears, contractor



"It promotes everyone to keep the city clean. When Maryville is clean it attracts people."

John McClurg, Sprint worker



"If Maryville is clean it helps attract new people and keeps us healthy."

Lisa Hatch, Northwest student



"It helps so people don't have to look at everyone's trash."

Laura Giese, home school student



"It beautifies the town and makes visitors want to come back."

Alicia Tobin, Wal-Mart greeter



photo courtesy of Kurt Haberyan

Kurt Haberyan and University of Tennessee faculty and students studied 27 different lakes throughout Costa Rica. Haberyan spent close to a month during June and July in the country. The research enabled him to bring back real-life examples to the classroom.

Professor conducts research abroad

by Stephanie Zellstra
Assistant News Editor

Most teachers would not be found traipsing through Costa Rica, avoiding poisonous snakes and working for *National Geographic* during their summers, but a Northwest professor did just that.

Kurt Haberyan, professor of biological sciences, spent a month during the summer in Costa Rica traveling the untamed countryside in search of lakes, some of which had never been seen before.

"The lakes are so inaccessible," Haberyan said. "You feel that you are blazing trails. You almost feel like Indiana Jones chopping through the swamp to get to this one particular lake. You wonder why you do it, but it all works out. It's just a matter of dedication and stamina to get the job done. It is very rewarding."

National Geographic funded the three year study that focused on climatic changes and their effects on the environment, especially to animals and the earth. The University of Tennessee also participated in the trip.

Students will benefit from the research trip from real-life examples and

slides. However, the trip has taken a different meaning for Haberyan.

"The trip had a very indirect effect also," he said. "That is the stimulation

"It is so challenging in the field to deal with the foreign culture, locating the lakes and trying to do some solid science in under-developed conditions."

Kurt Haberyan,
University Biology professor

of thinking, processing data and remembering what it is like to be a scientist again. Personally, it keeps me alive and stimulated in the lectures and it does provide some examples for the classroom."

Haberyan said that most professors keep up with their field by reading the latest information and research in journals and studies that have been done.

He is also happy with the response from the students because many have asked several questions. The research shows the students that there is more to science than just the books.

Some of the examples he will be able to use are on the ecosystems found in the 27 lakes the team studied.

The group scanned the countryside using field maps from the 1950s, with some degree of success, and didn't en-

counter many life-threatening occurrences. They found that some of the lakes that were on the maps were no longer there for several different reasons.

"It is so challenging in the field to deal with the different food, the foreign land and culture," Haberyan said. "The roads were also a problem, locating the lakes and getting frustrated and trying to do some real solid science in under-developed conditions is challenging."

It was also very challenging for the scientists to conduct concrete research and deal with the cultural differences, especially in communication.

"The Costa Ricans were very friendly and helpful," Haberyan said. "In one case, a man showed us a lake that they didn't know existed."

Some of the more difficult and rigorous challenges the group faced was climbing a steep volcano with 30-pound backpacks in the pouring rain. The group also had to worry about 12 types of poisonous snakes.

The research was conducted during Costa Rica's wet season. Haberyan hopes to return during the dry season sometime in January or March if it is possible.

The research that the team collected included samples from the lakes and dirt deposits to test them. The research that will be conducted over the next several years will study the effects of globalization.

In Brief

Theater production opens next week

The comedy play "Arsenic and Old Lace" opens at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 13, and runs through Sunday, Nov. 16, at the Mary Linn Performing Arts Center. The Sunday performance will be at 2 p.m. The play is directed by Charles Schultz.

Tickets are \$4 for students and faculty, \$5 for non-University students and \$6 for adults. They are available at the Student Services Center.

University conducts property auction

The University will be having a surplus property sale at 9 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 11, at the Northwest Support Service Building warehouse.

Items included in the sale are chairs, computer and office equipment, fluorescent light fixtures and bulbs, staging steps, platform risers, acoustical wall partitions, wooden shutters, carpet, bus seats, partial wrestling mats and vehicles.

There will be inspection times from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 10, and from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 11.

Chemistry teacher joins department

Before the fall semester, Rafiqul Islam joined the chemistry department as a new assistant professor. He teaches biochemistry and organic chemistry courses.

Islam researched in biochemistry and organic chemistry at St. Louis University for two years before joining Northwest's faculty.

He is originally from Bangladesh. Islam obtained a doctorate in biochemistry in 1991 at Kyushu University in Japan.

Conference shares financial solutions

Northwest, in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Education, will present a live, interactive teleconference from 7 to 7:45 p.m. on Nov. 10 called Financial Aid Night.

Northwest parents and students will have the opportunity to ask U.S. Secretary of Education Richard Riley questions concerning financial aid for college.

Financial aid experts will take phone calls during the program and answer questions sent by fax. There is no charge to attend the event and it is sponsored by the Northwest office of Financial Aid.

Planning Ahead

Thursday, Nov. 6

■ CLEP, GED and MAT tests, 8 a.m., Wells Hall

■ Lab Series, 7:30 p.m., Charles Johnson Theater

Friday, Nov. 7

■ CLEP, GED and MAT tests, 8 a.m., Wells Hall

■ Lab Series, 7:30 p.m., CJT

Saturday, Nov. 8

■ Bearcat football vs. Truman State, 1 p.m., Rickenbrode Stadium

■ PRAXIS testing, 7:30 a.m., Garrett-Strong

■ Women's Cross Country, Great Lakes Regional meet, Kenosha, Wis.

■ Men's Cross Country, Great Lakes Regional meet, Kenosha, Wis.

Monday, Nov. 10

■ Women's Basketball, Nebraska Sports All-Stars, 7:30 p.m., Bearcat Arena

■ Delta Zeta executive board, 7 p.m., Chapter Room

Tuesday, Nov. 11

■ Veteran's Day

■ Brahms Piano Student Recital

■ Sigma Kappa informal meeting, 5 p.m.

■ Delta Zeta meeting, 4:30 p.m., Valk 117

Wednesday, Nov. 12

■ Delta Zeta new member meeting, 4:30 p.m., Garrett-Strong 219

Basketball season begins next week

As the fall sports season is drawing to a close, basketball season is coming into focus.

The women's team will play an exhibition against the Nebraska Sports All-Stars at 7:30 p.m. Nov. 10 in Bearcat Arena. The women's first regular season games will be Nov. 14-15 at the William Jewell Tournament in Liberty.

The men's squad will take on the Benedictine College men to open their season Nov. 14 at Bearcat Arena. See next week's *Missourian* for a preview of the winter sports season.



■ Biology Instructor spends part of summer studying lakes in Costa Rica

Alcohol tops Greek forum

by Stacy Young
Missourian Staff

Improving Greek life was the purpose of the All-Greek open forum and making it a non-alcoholic Greek life was among the topics of discussion last Thursday at the Northwest Conference Center.

The forum was directed by Mark Koepsell, St. Louis University's Greek life director, who gave members of Northwest's Greek organizations a chance to discuss the Select 2000 proposal.

Select 2000 is a program that some national fraternities are signing, saying they will strive for an alcohol-free environment.

"It's more than just a dry environment," said Jube Schley, secretary of Delta Sigma Phi fraternity. "2000 is about building the entire Greek system and making everyone a better person."

The dry housing policy that many college campuses have already adopted to was the first topic. Alcohol

would be forbidden at all Greek houses, which could result in chapter elimination from campus if violated.

"It's not so much Northwest demanding dry housing, but it's Greek nationals," said Bryan Vanosdale, director of campus activities. "This is what they are evolving to. It's like the domino effect — they hit one house and the rest will follow."

During his presentation, Koepsell announced that as of Jan. 1, Iowa State University will be a dry campus and housing university. It was a decision made by ISU's Panhellenic and Inter-Fraternity Council.

He also presented statistics revealing that 86 percent of men at fraternity houses are binge drinkers. The recent tragedies of alcohol-related deaths among college students at Massachusetts Institute of Technology and Louisiana State University have been two catalysts for the Greek nationals' changes.

"Alcohol is not an evil thing," Koepsell said. "It's when we don't

respect it (that) it causes problems."

Some Northwest fraternity members did express concern that new member numbers might decline in the future with a dry housing policy.

"Substance-free housing might initially hurt Rush numbers," IFC president Kelly Ferguson said. "It's sad that alcohol seems so important."

To balance the problem, Koepsell encouraged fraternity members to focus more on recruiting the members they want to be a part of their brotherhood.

This is a practice Greeks do at SLU, and although it took some extra work, he said, Rush numbers there haven't suffered.

"Alcohol shouldn't be a focus during Rush," Vanosdale said. "It should be focused on things like brotherhood, academics, morals and philanthropic accomplishments."

Although Select 2000 hasn't officially affected Northwest, it could be on its way. Other colleges across the country are also considering this proposal.

Friendship

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in touch with anyone he had a sexual relationship with.

He succeeded in reaching seven people, one of whom had two children. Each of them were tested immediately and all the tests came back negative.

Sullivan received the phone call from his friend on a Friday afternoon, just as he was preparing to leave work — he was speechless.

"I just froze," Sullivan said. "I didn't say anything, and I just had to get the hell off the phone."

Sullivan told his friend he would call him that weekend, and he hung up the phone in his office just before breaking down. Sullivan never called Goldman that weekend.

The presentation continued with

a video showing college students' perspective of mixing alcohol with sex.

"Mixing alcohol with sex is dangerous," Sullivan said. "We're at the age now where we can put positive peer pressure on our friends to develop good behaviors that really save them down the line."

After the video, the duo went into a series, in which they gave out facts on AIDS, the four stages of drinking and how to prevent the AIDS virus.

Sullivan said 80 percent of the people infected with the AIDS virus are heterosexuals and 48 percent are women.

"It's not just a gay thing," Sullivan said. "It's an everybody thing."

The two began traveling in 1993. In the past four years, the pair have seen more than 350,000 students on almost 400 campuses.

Julie Norlen, vice president of pro-

gramming in Panhellenic Council, said an estimated 700 students and community members attended the event.

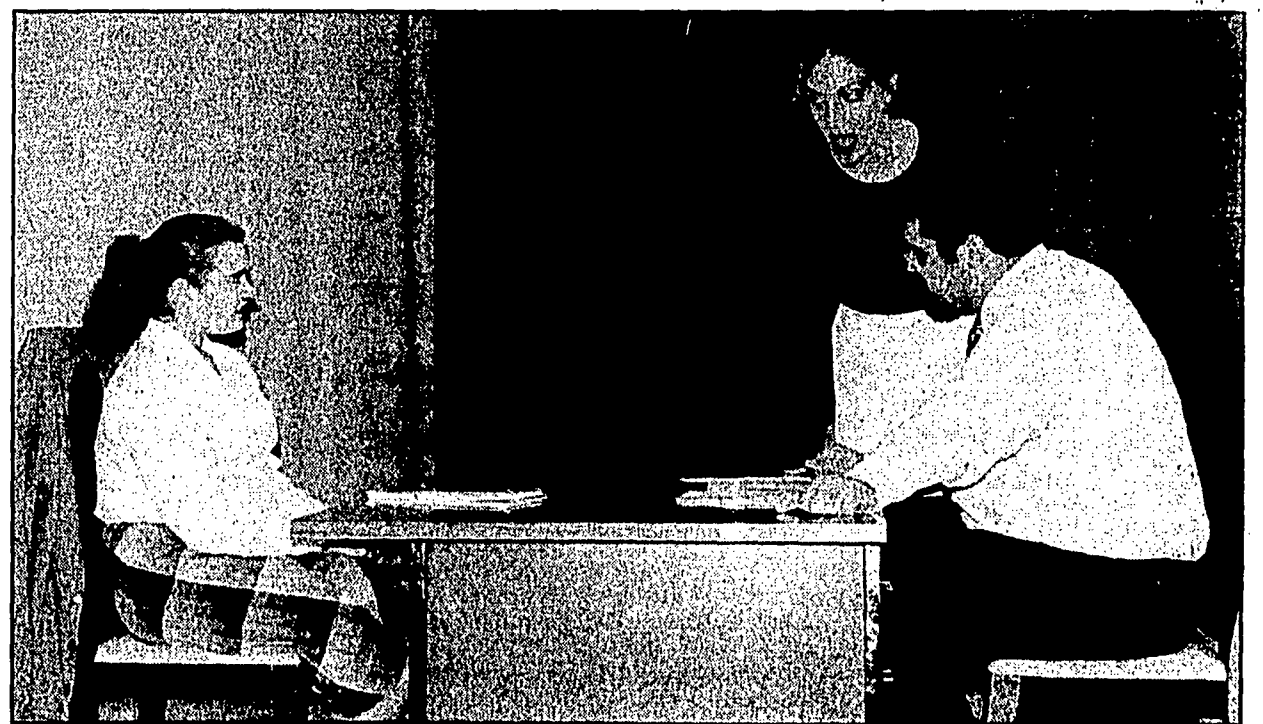
The program was based on Goldman's experiences as a fraternity member at Indiana University with drinking and sex. The program displayed the risks he took using comedy.

Goldman made a point that the AIDS virus is not like any other disease.

"It's not like heart disease," Goldman said. "It's something I got because of the choices I made."

Students can be tested for AIDS year-round at the Student Health Center for \$5.

The online version of the *Missourian* features audio bytes of Goldman and Sullivan and can be accessed at <http://www.nwmissouri.edu/missourian/>.



John Petrovic/Contributing Photographer

Stacy Sanchell, Mary-Tina Vrehas and Jon Hickerson produced play that will be performed tonight and do a final run-through of "The Lesson," a student Friday in conjunction with the play "Olianna."

Seniors direct theater Lab Series

■ One-act shows offer students experience on both sides of stage

by Mark Hornickel
Chief Reporter

The hard work and dedication of two senior theater students will help determine the success of a two-play Lab Series performance at 7:30 p.m. Thursday and Friday in the Charles Johnson Theater.

The student directors will present two different one-act plays, "The Lesson," directed by Jerry Nevins, government/theater/philosophy major, and "Olianna," directed by theater major Jennifer Farris.

"The Lesson" concerns the interaction between students and faculty, concerning the use of language.

"It's a power struggle on who controls the language," Nevins said. "It is sort of an exaggeration of a normal

situation, but it is something students and faculty can relate to."

Following an intermission, "Olianna" will be presented. The second act will also center around language using a university setting between a teacher and a student.

"It's about the powers of language in a relationship," Farris said. "There's a curse with modern language. People can take things out of context."

"Olianna" will be the longer of the two, lasting 90 minutes. The Lab Series is a chance for students to produce a play from beginning to end without the faculty's help, although "Olianna" will feature philosophy professor Jim Eiswert, as an actor.

"When the students participate in large productions, they are bonded to follow the director's guide," theater professor Charles Schultz said. "In a Lab Series, the students have the freedom to portray their specific interests."

Farris believes it is a great experience to take part in a Lab Series production.

"It's wonderful," Farris said. "It's challenging too, it's one of the best things I've done here at Northwest. The actors are magnificent and we've developed an irreplaceable bond."

Nevins has previously appeared in "The Mystery of Edwin Drood," and the Homecoming Variety Show, as an emcee, but this is his first directing experience.

This will be Farris' second time as a director. Last spring she directed "For Whom the Southern Bell Tolls," and she hopes to direct after graduating from Northwest.

Farris said both acting and directing are equally challenging, but there is a difference between the two.

"It depends on the way you look at it," Farris said. "I get pleasure from watching my show get put on and (the actors) get pleasure from making it happen."

Missourian receives top honor

Media association awards college paper as top 1 percent in nation

by JP Farris

Chief Reporter

The Northwest Missourian won the most prestigious award for college newspapers at the College Media Association Convention Nov. 1 in Chicago.

For the first time, the Missourian received a Pacemaker, an award given to the collegiate publications in the top 1 percent by the Associate Collegiate Press and the Newspaper Association of America Foundation.

Tom Rolnicki, executive director of the ACP, said it was "the college equivalent of a Pulitzer Prize."

In the past, the Missourian has been a finalist but has never won. Lonelle Rathje, editor in chief of the Pacemaker award-winning publication, said the type of people who worked on this newspaper were dif-

ferent from past staffs.

"I think it is a positive reflection of the talent we have in the mass communication department," she said. "The kind of journalist you see now is a new breed of journalist. They care deeply about what they're covering and getting it right."

Rathje believed the real turning point was when the Missourian began covering the community.

"We gained credibility through our coverage," she said. "When we went citywide in 1995, we really had a lot of people in the community rooting for us."

Reporting community news along with the campus was integral to the development of the publication.

"I think that covering the community makes it a strong paper," said Laura Widmer, student publications adviser. "We had solid coverage and good writing (on last year's paper). The photography was also very strong, especially in sports."

The Missourian competed against

nondaily college papers in the nation.

Four of the 10 Pacemaker winners are from Missouri. Missouri Southern State College, St. Louis University and Truman State University all received the honor with Northwest.

"The state of Missouri has always had solid programs," Widmer said. "Southern and St. Louis have always been strong, and Truman is up and coming."

Other Missouri schools, like the University of Missouri-Columbia, known nationwide as a top-ranked journalism school, were not selected.

The 1996 Tower yearbook Contemporary Traditions was awarded a Gold Crown by the Columbia Scholastic Press Association, as one of the top four yearbooks in the nation.

Tower was also nominated for a Pacemaker at the CMA convention but was not chosen. The 1997 yearbook Stages will be judged in January for a Gold Crown Award.

"Different judges took different things into consideration," Widmer

said. "You never know what judges are looking for."

In the past, Tower has won six Pacemakers and has been a finalist 10 times.

Widmer said she thought Contemporary Traditions, the first public university yearbook in the country to have a CD-ROM yearbook included, was better than other Pacemakers.

"I thought the 1996 Tower was one of the two strongest books that we've ever done, the 1989 being the other," Widmer said. "I was very disappointed that we didn't win."

The other student publication, Heartland View, was not a Pacemaker finalist, but did receive an All-American award with five marks of distinction, putting them in the top 3 percent of all magazines.

"The fact that the newspaper is in the top 1 percent, the yearbook is in the top 2 percent and Heartland is in the top 3 percent, speaks highly of the hard work and dedication of our students," Widmer said.



Erica Smith, Missourian advertising director, accepts the Pacemaker award from Annie Witta Christman, ACP associate director, Nov. 1 in Chicago. The award was presented in conjunction with the 76th annual National College Media convention. The Pacemaker places the Missourian among the top 10 nondaily collegiate newspapers in the nation.

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Contributing
Photographer



File photo

Soccer tries to join varsity ranks

by Kevin Schultz

Chief Reporter

Soccer has never been a part of the varsity sports program at Northwest, and so far the only soccer played around campus has been in the form of club play.

The possibilities of soccer becoming a women's varsity sport moved in the right direction last Thursday when five officers, elected to represent the soccer team, presented their case to become a varsity team to athletic director Jim Redd.

"The officers of the club team did a great job of presenting their side," Redd said. "I was impressed with their organization; they made some very strong points."

Redd said there is much more than meets the eye when adding another varsity sport.

"Many think that you can just add a sport, but so much has to be considered," Redd said. "Transportation, funding, uniforms, coaches and off-season, workout facilities all have to be considered."

A big consideration Redd has to look at is where the funding for a new sport would come from.

He has the option of asking for and trying to raise more money or taking a little bit away from existing sports.

"Funding is something that will play a big role," Redd said. "And the group has looked at different possibilities."

This was the first year for a soccer club at Northwest. The women played against other clubs and varsity teams.

"We had a great season," said Jessica Courtney, president of the soccer club. "We worked very hard

and played well against other clubs and varsity teams."

A great season is one reason why the women want to become a varsity team as soon as possible. They also believe recruitment will be easier after this past season.

For now, the issue has been put on the back burner until after the football season.

"We will hold off on any further decisions until after football," Redd said. "This way we can give the issue the attention that it needs."

Redd also said that at this point it is unlikely that soccer will become a varsity sport next year, even if the proposal is successful.

A transition period is needed for the team, so one more club season is expected by the team. However, the club members are excited about what their future holds.

False alarms cause concern

by Mark Hornickel

Chief Reporter

Phillips Hall has had to deal with 10 false fire alarms since Sept. 4, including a string of seven in eight days.

Most of the alarms have occurred on the third floor and none on the female floors of the hall. Two fire alarms were set off by smoke bombs.

Residential Life is working on ways to prevent false alarms. It is looking into purchasing covers to go over the pull stations to deter false alarms.

Other possibilities of prevention include the use of surveillance cameras and pull stations equipped with a pre-alarm that would sound when someone tampered with the alarm.

"There are advantages and disadvantages to each of these options, but something will be put into place in Phillips as soon as possible to reduce the number of false alarms currently being experienced," said Betty Dye, Residential Life coordinator.

Resident hall staff members have varied the rounds they conduct during the evenings, and the Residential Life Security Patrol will make additional rounds during early morning hours.

Dye said high rises may experience an average of three to four false alarms a semester, but the activity at Phillips Hall has set a new precedent.

"This situation in Phillips is highly unusual," Dye said. "We've had hot spots before, but this is over the top." Residents are becoming increasingly angry, but Dye guarantees the person will be caught.

"We just ask that the students be patient," Dye said. "They need to keep their eyes and ears open and stay in touch with their community just like they would in a house or an apartment."

Anyone caught pulling a false alarm will appear in front of the campus judicial court. Sanctions will then be taken.

In this case, the offense would be classified as a class B misdemeanor. Dye said the Residential Life staff has had a couple leads but nothing concrete.

"Some students seem to think they have an idea," Dye said. "We don't have anything hot enough to apprehend anyone."

Dye said false alarms will definitely become a topic of discussion as South Complex is renovated.

Groups sponsor University talent show

Student organizations showcase abilities during first time presentation

by Nathaniel Hanway

Missourian Staff

Northwest students will have a chance to show off to the community at 7 p.m. Friday at the Baptist Student Union.

The Alliance of Black Collegians and the Baptist Student Union will be sponsoring the student-filled talent show.

The main purpose of the show is to raise funds for ABC and provide a chance for the organizations to work together.

"The two organizations feel that Northwest has a lot of talent," said Yvonne Kweh, fund-raising chairwoman for ABC. "We just want to be able to expose the students' tal-

ents, and in the same sense to raise money for our organization."

This will be a new experience for the both organizations. They have not previously worked together.

"This is going to be the first time that we have tried something like this," Kweh said. "We hope to get more publicity in the community and reach more of the students."

The BSU, however, is not using this event to raise money.

"We do not use fund-raisers," BSU director Darrien King said. "We have been doing coffee houses and ABC approached us with this. We felt that it would be a good opportunity to help out the ABC."

The show will be free to the public, but participants pay an entry fee.

"We are hoping for about 15 skits," Kweh said. "We will also supply the winners and the contestants with prizes."

The prizes range from a boombox from Circuit City, a guest appearance on the show "Maryville Tonight with Chris Stigall" to gift certificates from Movie Magic and Country Kitchen.

ARAMARK will also present each of the contestants with a coupon for a free medium pizza.

"We are asking for solo acts, duets, bands, dramatic readings, dance and poetry," Kweh said. "We will accept any type of entertainment."

Telling stories has become senior Scott Johnson's chance to be seen by the students at the show and prove that blind people can also adapt and overcome.

"I plan on telling a few jokes. I am a storyteller so I'll tell a few stories," Johnson said. "I believe this is a great idea because there are a lot of students with talents."

Kweh said judging for the show is still in the works.

Northwest forensics team comes to life in competition

by Jason Kilndt

Missourian Staff

Mention the word "forensics" and everyone wants to know who died. What they should be asking is, "What did they win this time?"

Forensics is a competition where students present pieces of text orally against other students, a lot like giving a speech, but more involved.

The forensics season lasts from September through mid-April. There are invites in the fall where students give their presentation in front of a panel of judges.

There are individual awards as well as team awards. The goal of these invites is not only to get better, but also to qualify for nationals.

"To qualify you must finish in the top three at three different recognized

tournaments," said Bill Cue, director of forensics. "It is really kind of difficult when there are 60 to 70 other competitors. To be in the top three is a real challenge."

While the team competition is divided into groups according to size, the students compete against the entire field when qualifying for nationals, making it even tougher to qualify.

"Most of the time we are competing with schools who have five times our operating budget," Cue said.

Still, with all that is going against them, Angela McMahon, vice president of the team, and Justin Burton have come close to qualifying for nationals.

Last year Northwest finished fifth at the national tournament in Division II.

In order to compete, the forensics

team recruits incoming freshmen. Those students who show an interest in forensics receive direct-mailing both before and after they choose to attend Northwest.

"The success of one year helps the recruiting for the next year," Cue said. "We had excellent recruiting year this (past) year."

Sixteen of the 22 members are new to the program this year. That makes the leadership of the veterans that much more important.

"Morale is good, they are new and excited," McMahon said.

Forensics is allowed very little scholarship money, so the students do this more for love and the potential benefits after college.

"A lot of people say they have communication skills, but I have proof of it," McMahon said.

Cue, who is now in his second year, acts as both a cheerleader and coach for the students. He puts in long hours for each of the students competing and helps them develop their pieces into winners.

"Bill brings a lot of knowledge and background to the team," said McMahon.

Cue, however, gives credit to everyone from the provost to the dean and mostly the students.

"The final credit is with the students," Cue said. "They give up the weekends and are up in the late hours of the night. It is a huge effort with a huge payoff."

The payoff for Northwest has been tremendous so far. In four tournaments, many students have finished in the top five. In the Truman State tournament the team placed second.

Quality

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tutions and I feel this is totally appropriate. I have been committed to quality approach ever since. I have been in government."

Missouri Quality Award applicants receive a feedback report providing valuable guidance and information on their organization's activities.

"We can make make fantastic improvements because you take the feedback report and use those items of both strengths and areas of improvement," said Ron DeYoung,

dean of professional and applied studies. "It will be a good base mark to project what you want to do over the next few years to improve."

Improvement is a constant and the University will constantly see quality as a journey, not a destination but the award proves one thing.

"I appreciate the fact that students are a big part of planning at Northwest and we do have some input and control in our education," Student Regent Marisa Sanchez said. "You don't know of any other institutions who do that for students. Quality is catching on more and more in the daily life of students."



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Hunting season opens

by Russ Wetzel
Missourian Staff

Camouflage and hunter orange are coming back into fashion as the hunting season gets underway.

The quail and pheasant hunting season officially opened Nov. 1, and firearm deer season will begin Nov. 15 in Nodaway County.

Ed Higdon, Missouri conservation agent, said the outlook looks promising.

"It will be a similar year to last year as far as the number of birds available," Higdon said. "And there will be no major changes in the rules."

However, there have been some changes made in this year's duck season, which runs from Oct. 23 through Dec. 21.

"The season is 60 days longer," Higdon said. "The daily limit has been raised to six ducks, with some limitations on the species."

Higdon said there are also several major changes for this year's firearm

deer season, which runs until Nov. 25.

In the past, hunters had to apply for a permit to hunt deer in the state.

This year, hunters can simply purchase a permit at any of several area permit distributors.

"We have completely changed the license system this year," Higdon said. "People seem a lot happier with the new system."

Higdon expects the number of deer to meet or exceed the number taken last year and much of it depends on the weather.

"If we have a wet, nasty weekend for the opener, then that will reduce the take," Higdon said. "Over 50 percent of the deer are taken over the first weekend."

Higdon said Missouri's deer population has been on the rise over the past few years.

"We are seeing a slow increase in the deer population in our area," he said. "We use that information to determine how many permits to make available for next year."

The season for archery deer and turkey opened Oct. 1 and runs until Jan. 1.

Higdon said this is a popular season for many hunters as well.

"We are somewhere in the neighborhood of having checked 50 deer in the county already," he said.

Higdon said the early harvest this year will also play a significant role in the season.

"It opens the deer up to visibility to hunters a lot more," he said. "The less crop that is out there, the less places they have to hide."

The cost of purchasing a resident firearm deer permit in Missouri is \$11. The cost of a non-resident permit is \$110.

The cost of a resident small game permit is \$9.

Additional permits and further information on laws and additional requirements can be obtained locally.

Area permit distributors include Wal-Mart, Watkins Hardware, Orscheln's, Hy-Vee, Shop & Hop and Walter Brothers.

Preparing for the hunt

Late fall is prime hunting time in the Midwest. Here are some tips and important dates for hunters to remember.

Getting a license

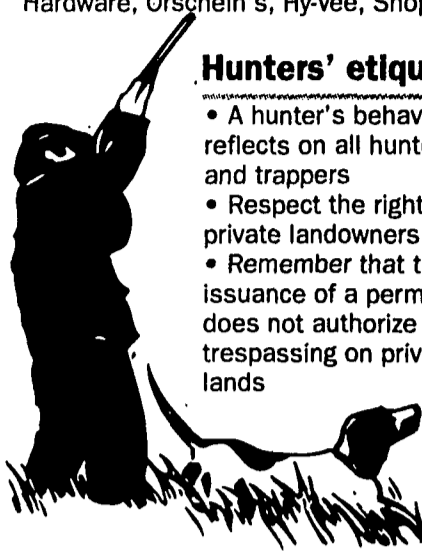
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Hunters' etiquette

- A hunter's behavior reflects on all hunters and trappers
- Respect the rights of private landowners
- Remember that the issuance of a permit does not authorize trespassing on private lands

Hunting dates

- Oct. 1 - Jan. 15 - Archery deer and turkey season
- Oct. 23 - Dec. 21 - Duck season
- Nov. 1 - Jan. 15 - Pheasant and gray partridge season (north zone)
- Nov. 1 - Jan. 15 - Quail season
- Nov. 15-25 - Modern firearms deer season



Staying safe

- Keep the muzzle of your firearm pointed in a safe direction.
- Treat every firearm as though it were loaded.
- Don't drink while you hunt. In Missouri it's illegal to discharge a weapon while intoxicated.
- Store firearms and ammunition separately.
- Never shoot at a flat, hard surface or water.
- Never climb or jump an obstacle with a loaded firearm.
- Be sure of your target before you pull the trigger.
- If you hit a deer with your vehicle, do not approach the wounded animal. A injured deer can still be dangerous.

source: Missouri Department of Conservation
Colleen Cooke/Editorial Assistant

Band marches to recognition

■ Spoofhound group garners awards, progresses through performance season

by Kevin Schultz
Chief Reporter

The marching band is another program at Maryville High School competing at the top.

The Spoofhounds have made this a year of award-winning performances in several events and in several different ways.

The band finished the year placing first at the Loess Hills Marching Festival in Glenwood, Iowa.

The competition in Glenwood turned out to be the best of the year for the 'Hounds, improving on a third-place finish at the Southwest Iowa Band Jamboree and a fifth-place finish at a competition in Carrollton, in early September.

As the year progresses a lot of advancement is expected and has been made," said band director Dennis Dau. "It's a goal of ours to improve as we move along and it's an educational goal as well."

According to Dau, the awards are a direct result of the hard work and many practice hours put in by the band members and the assistant director Bill Dodd.

"Every award has been well deserved," Dau said. "The awards are a great reflection of the quality kids we have in our program."

Although the band competes as a whole at various competitions, certain groups are judged individually. Several awards have been given to the 'Hounds' drumline. The drum majors and twirlers have also received awards.

The drumline led by Brian Jewell and Mary Dean have taken home two first-place overall awards and a second place," Dau said. "They work extremely hard, sometimes putting three- to four-hour rehearsals in a day."

Senior Andrea Ury and junior Natalie Dredge took first overall award and the twirlers took third place in the open-class division.



Maryville High School band drum majors Andrea Ury (left) and Natalie Dredge (right) prepare to lead the band down College Ave. during the Northwest Homecoming parade.

Jennie Nelson/
Staff Photographer

Overall awards are given to participants regardless of school or band size.

For the band as a whole, its competitive season is over, but they have been invited to join Northwest's Bearcat Marching Band to perform Dec. 7 at a Kansas City Chief's game.

The drumline has two competitions left. They will be performing today in Omaha, Neb. and Nov. 8 at the Missouri Western Drumline Competition in St. Joseph.

This band is continuing a tradition that has been strong for a long time," Dau said. "It's a long tradition that has been made through long hours and dedication."

Local constructor builds unique home in Maryville

■ Styrofoam walls make quiet, storm resistant, energy efficient, clean, tornado proof houses

by Toru Yamauchi
Chief Reporter

Many dream of constructing a nice home and a new type of house has come to Maryville—Styrofoam.

The house is not made entirely of Styrofoam, but the walls are constructed with a combination of concrete and Styrofoam. A Maryville resident is investing money on this new type of construction.

Andy Willard's house has Styrofoam walls.

Willard said he was influenced by Kenneth Wilmes, owner of Wilmes Construction Co., who brought the method to town from an architecture company in Omaha, Neb. in 1995.

Wilmes constructed the Styrofoam wall for his own house last year and completed making the entire house last spring.

"After walking through the hall (of Wilmes' house), I became interested in building that home," Willard said.

Wilmes said the Styrofoam house is 70 percent energy efficient, compared to average houses.

The Styrofoam also protects the house from sound, dust and tornadoes.

"When the tornado comes, it will still take roofs and windows, but the wall will still stand," Wilmes said.

He said when the tornado went through Illinois, only the houses with Styrofoam walls remained standing.

Willard was convinced to build the Styrofoam wall in his home when he actually experienced how quiet Wilmes' house was.

"It's just very quiet inside," Willard said. "When we went to test in Kenneth's house, there was a storm outside, but we couldn't hear it. It was nice and quiet inside."

A quiet home was only part of the reason Willard decided to have the new house built.

He said the energy efficiency, in comparison to a normal home, was another factor. His allergies also influenced his decision.

"Since my wife and I both have allergies in the spring and fall; this home is supposed to be cleaner," Willard said.

Although the styrofoam house costs more, Willard said he will save money in the long run.

"The actual house itself costs a little bit more to build," Willard said. "But in several years, we get paid back from the energy saving."

Willard is looking to complete the house by April of 1998. He and his father are trying to finish up the second house in Maryville with Styrofoam walls.

Teen-agers catch paintball fever

by Sarah Bohl
Missourian Staff

The hunter or the hunted — it is a thin line in the game of paintball.

For the past few months this fad has been popular in Maryville. A group of 10 to 12 high school and college students have met every week to compete against each other in this game of skill and strength.

In paintball, each participant is armed with a gun and a face mask to protect themselves. The guns shoot pellets containing paint that explodes when it hits a target.

A small group started paintballing last summer in Kansas City just to try something new and to have something to do on the weekends. However, as others joined the group, it evolved into something more than that.

Jason Schuster, Maryville High School senior, started paintballing about two months ago.

"A couple of my friends were talking about it and told me I should come out and play sometime," Schuster said. "I tried it and was addicted."

For some, the true addiction is the chase.

Another high school senior, Eric Mickelson, has been paintballing for about four months.

"It was just something exciting to do," Mickelson said. "I don't like hunting animals or anything like that, so I figured I'll just hunt humans."

Although many businesses providing terrain for paintballers have been springing up in big cities, Maryville's abundant space takes care of that problem.

Schuster said the group uses a friend's pasture as its battlefield.

"It's got a lot of grass and trees that makes it challenging," he said.

Paintball can be played in many different ways. Matt Herring, high school senior, said how they play depends on how many people show up.

"If we have eight, we might have four go into the woods and hide while the other four hunt them," he said. "Sometimes we'll play it more like a type of capture the flag."

Everyone in the group has their own equipment, and no one is allowed to play if they don't have a face mask. The gun can be a semiautomatic rifle or whatever the participants choose to use.

Herring said most of the players buy their equipment from special paintball stores in St. Joseph, although they can also get it from Wal-Mart.

However, paintball is not inexpensive. Buying the basic equipment for the game can cost from \$160 to \$200.

Like any sort of gun, paintball guns are not gentle. Normally paintballs fly at 250 feet per second, Herring said. That means getting hit can sting.

"A lot of guns let you change the settings," Herring said. "You can set some guns so they can break skin."

"Paintballs hurt," Mickelson said. "They don't kill you, but you still feel it for a while. The best thing is getting people back who shot you before."

Even though some pain is involved, paintballers would still encourage people to try the sport.

"It's fun, and you use strategy and leadership skills. You get to be out with your friends and enjoy the game."

Some play for the exercise. "It's a blast," Mickelson said. "It gives you something to do, and it's a workout."

The group meets every Sunday and other days when they don't have school or other activities.

by Sarah Bohl
Missourian Staff

Two Maryville residents earned top honors at the Missouri Community Betterment Awards ceremony.

Jessica Loch and Jenna Johnson both received the Governor's Leadership Award at the annual banquet in Columbia Oct. 27.

Loch was the recipient of the Governor's Award for Adult Leadership and was sponsored by the Maryville Citizens for Community Action.

"They choose someone for their community service," Loch said. "I have served on lots of committees and have been involved in the community for several years."

Johnson, a senior at Maryville High School, was a winner of the Governor's Award for Youth Leadership.

She was nominated for the award by one of her teachers on the basis of community service. Johnson couldn't believe she had won the award since so many communities were represented.

"I was really excited and surprised," Johnson said. "There were a lot of people there."

The community group decides who to nominate in two different ways, said Jan Colville, president of the MCCA.

The youth nominee is chosen by contacting the high school and talking with the administration and teachers. The adult candidate is selected by members of the MCCA.

Loch and Johnson automatically became the community winners and candidates for the state award.

To compete for the award, the MCCA had to send in a résumé and three recommendations for both nominees to be judged by a Missouri Community Betterment committee.

Almost 80 communities competed for the award by submitting reports detailing improvements they have made to their towns over the past year. Leadership awards are just another section of that award, Loch said.

Maryville also won a Certificate of Merit for their work on the Mzingo project. A representative will present the award to the MCCA at a later date.

The individual awards were presented at a luncheon. Loch and Johnson each received a plaque from Missouri State Treasurer Bob Holden.

The community awards were presented by Gov. Mel Carnahan.

Each community can nominate one candidate in the adult division and one in the youth division. Only 10 awards are given throughout the state every year in each category.

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In Brief

Annual soup dinner will benefit church

Hope Lutheran Church, located at 931 S. Main St., will sponsor "Eddy's Famous Chili and Soup Supper" from 5 to 7 p.m. Sunday.

The meal costs \$3.50 for adults and \$2 for children five and under. Money raised at the annual event will go into the church's general fund.

Chamber, NWMSU sponsor lunches

The Northwest Missouri State University Small Business Development Center and the Chamber of Commerce will sponsor a video series during the lunch hour.

They will be from 12:10 to 1 p.m. Nov. 7 and 19 at the Small Business Development Center/Chamber of Commerce conference room located at 423 N. Market St.

The focus for November is "Customer, Inventory and Employee Tracking." For more information contact Deb Shough at 562-1701.

Residents need to recycle more

Northwest Missouri residents will have the opportunity to participate in "Missouri Recycles Day."

The event, as part of the larger, national celebration called "America Recycles Day," will be Nov. 15 throughout the state.

Residents will be asked to sign a pledge card that says they will recycle more waste, buy more recycled products and support a recycling program.

Contact Joel Miller at the Regional Council of Governments and Development Corporation if you or your organization is interested in participating in the event.

Bloodmobile gears up for next week

Business and Professional Women will sponsor a community blood drive from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Nov. 13 in the Fellowship Hall of First United Methodist Church.

For a preferred donation time, please contact Shirley Miller at 582-4031.

This is the fourth bloodmobile of 1997, and those who have given three times this year will be eligible for a Friend-4-Life T-shirt or mug when they donate.

Chamber sells banquet tickets

The Maryville Chamber of Commerce will hold its 37th annual Nodaway County Farm-City Banquet on Monday, Nov. 17.

The event will start at 6:30 p.m. in the University Conference Center. Dr. Joe Jeffrey, a Nebraska veterinarian, rancher and humorist, will be the speaker.

Tickets for the banquet are \$12.50. They are available at the Chamber of Commerce office at 423 N. Market St., or at banks throughout the county.

The deadline for ticket sales is Thursday, Nov. 13. For more information, call the Chamber office at 582-8643.

Public Safety

October 26

■ Fire units responded to the 400 block of West Third Street in reference to a smoke alarm going off. Upon arrival, it was determined the smoke alarm battery had gone bad. No fire or smoke was detected.

October 27

■ A Maryville female reported the theft of a set of golf clubs and a pink golf bag from her garage. Estimated value was \$500.

■ Tanya L. Sullivan, Maryville, was attempting to turn onto West South Avenue and hit a patch of ice and slid into the vehicle of Lana G. McLaughlin who was stopped at a stoplight eastbound on West South Avenue.

■ Ralph Hueste, Maryville, was parked, when his vehicle was struck by another who left the scene.

October 28

■ An officer served a Maryville Municipal Court warrant for failure to appear to Tony E. Boner, 25, Conception Junction. He is being held for bond.

■ While on patrol in the area of 13th and Mulberry streets, an officer observed a vehicle driving over the posted speed limit. The vehicle was stopped and the driver was identified as Shelli L. McNulty, 19, Maryville. An odor of marijuana was detected in the vehicle. McNulty was arrested on charges of possession of drug paraphernalia after rolling papers were found in her possession. She was also issued a citation for driving over the posted speed limit. She was released after posting bond.

■ Officers responded to the 100 block of West Ninth Street on a complaint of a loud party. Upon arrival, contact was made with occupants Kristofferson O. Nystrom, 20, and Leigh C. Peterson, 19. They were advised to shut the party down. A keg of beer was observed in the residence and Nystrom and Peterson were both issued a summons for permitting a peace disturbance and minor in possession.

October 29

■ Fire units responded to a house fire in the 1000 block of North Filmore Street. Upon arrival heavy black smoke was coming from under the eaves. The fire started in kitchen where wax was being melted on the stove, and spread into the ceiling area. The fire was extinguished.

■ An officer arrested Angela M. Larkings, 20, Kansas City, Mo., on charges of larceny, following an incident at a local business in which three compact discs and a box of hair

color were taken without being paid for. She was released after posting bond. Estimated value was \$54.28.

■ A Maryville male reported that he has been receiving harassing phone calls.

October 30

■ After receiving a complaint of a trash violation in the 1300 block of North Main Street an officer issued a summons to Francis Troxell, 74, Edwards, for failure to comply with a notice to abate nuisance.

■ Rachel A. Gerken, Maryville, was making a left hand turn onto South Munn Street from West First Street and started sliding on the wet pavement. Gerken left the roadway and struck a street sign.

■ An officer stopped a vehicle in the 500 block of West Seventh Street for a traffic violation and while running a check on the driver, Lesley M. Dean, 18, Maryville, he discovered her date of birth on the license had been altered. She was issued a summons for possession of an altered driver's license.

■ An officer was on patrol in the 200 block of South Main Street when he observed a vehicle with only one headlight on. The vehicle was stopped, and the driver was identified as James D. Gabbert, 21, Maryville. While talking with Gabbert, the officer detected an odor of intoxicants. He was asked to perform a field sobriety test which he could not complete successfully. He was arrested on charges of driving while intoxicated after his blood alcohol content tested over the legal limit. He was also issued an equipment repair order for his headlight.

■ An officer served a Maryville Municipal Court warrant for failure to appear on Terry A. Tronein, 19, Hopkins. He is being held for bond.

■ An officer took a report from a local business that they had several checks returned because the accounts were closed.

October 31

■ The vehicles of Sarah R. Prehal, Maryville, and Steven C. Thompson, Hopkins, were northbound on Main Street. Thompson was stopped in traffic and was struck in the rear by Prehal. Prehal was issued a citation for careless and imprudent driving.

November 1

■ An officer observed a vehicle make a turn onto West Seventh Street in the oncoming traffic lane and continue in that lane for a short distance. The vehicle was stopped and the driver was identified as Christopher G. Arnold, 22, Maryville. While talking

with the officer, an odor of intoxicants was detected. He was asked to perform a field sobriety test in which he could not complete successfully. He was arrested on charges of driving while intoxicated after his blood alcohol content tested over the legal limit. He was also issued a citation for careless and imprudent driving.

■ An officer served a Maryville Municipal Court warrant for failure to appear on Patrick J. Douglas, 20, Bellevue, Neb. He was released after posting bond.

■ Officers were notified of a vehicle striking mailboxes in the 1100 block of South Main Street and leaving the scene. After receiving the description of the vehicle, an officer found the vehicle in the 700 block of East Fourth Street. Contact was made with the driver, Jason T. Edwards, 26, Cuba, Ill. and while talking with him an odor of intoxicants was detected. He was asked to perform a field sobriety test in which he refused to do and also refused to submit a breath sample for blood alcohol content. He was arrested on charges of driving while intoxicated and also issued a citation for leaving the scene of an accident.

■ An officer took a report of several items being taken from a local business. They included a promotional banner, drinking straw dispenser and a picture. Estimated value was unknown.

■ An officer arrested Michael P. Wilmes, 20, Maryville, on charges of assault following an incident in which a male of Barnard reported he had been assaulted. He is being held for probation and parole.

■ The vehicles of Amy J. Smith, Maryville, and Karen S. Wray, Parnell, were eastbound on South Avenue. Wray was stopped in traffic when her vehicle was struck in the rear by Smith. A citation was issued to Smith for careless and imprudent driving.

November 2

■ A summons for assault was issued to Dustin Ellis, 22, Maryville, following an incident in the 400 block of North Buchanan in which a female reported she had been assaulted by the male subject.

November 3

■ An officer arrested Marlene E. Roupe, 19, Bedford, Iowa, on charges of larceny following an incident at a local business in which seven key chains and two ink pens were taken without being paid for. She was released after posting bond. Estimated value was \$22.71.

■ A Maryville female reported that the building she owned had been

damaged. It appeared there had been a fight, because there was blood on the walls and there was a hole in the sheet rock in the hallway.

■ Linda S. Guess, Maryville, was eastbound on Seventh Street when Rachel M. Diggs, Maryville, pulled from a drive. Guess slid because of icy conditions and struck the curb.

■ Linda S. Hill and Richard L. Mattson, both of Maryville, were southbound on Main Street. Mattson was stopped in traffic, and Hill was unable to stop because of icy conditions. Hill's vehicle struck Mattson's vehicle in the rear.

■ Jacqueline E. Tegen, Maryville, was stopped at a posted stop sign and then pulled into an intersection and struck the vehicle of Kermit D. Goslee, Maryville, who was eastbound on Third Street. A citation was issued to Tegen for failure to yield.

Campus Safety

October 20

■ Campus Safety investigated a medical emergency in a building on campus. Emergency medical services was notified and transported the individual to St. Francis Hospital.

October 21

■ A faculty member reported property damage to a building on campus. An investigation was initiated.

■ Campus Safety investigated a judicial code violation on campus. An investigation was initiated.

October 22

■ Campus Safety investigated a harassment complaint. An investigation was initiated.

October 23

■ Campus Safety investigated a fire alarm in a building on campus. The alarm was unfounded.

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■ Campus Safety received a report of property damage to a parking lot on campus. An investigation was initiated.

October 24

■ Campus Safety investigated a report of an individual tampering with fire equipment in a building on campus.

■ Campus Safety investigated a harassment complaint. An investigation

was initiated.

■ A student reported property damage by a baseball to their vehicle while it was parked in a parking lot on campus.

October 25

■ Campus Safety investigated smoke bombs being activated in a building on campus. An investigation was initiated.

■ Campus Safety investigated a fire alarm in a building on campus. No smoke or fire was detected.

October 26

■ Campus Safety investigated a medical emergency in a building on campus. Emergency medical services were notified and dispatched to the scene. The individual refused medical attention.

■ Campus Safety investigated a fire alarm in a building on campus. No smoke or fire was detected.

October 27

■ Campus Safety investigated an odor of smoke in a building on campus. It was determined that construction workers had been cutting a pipe in the basement, and a spark caught a cardboard box on fire. It was quickly extinguished. There was no property damage.

■ Campus Safety investigated a vehicle accident in a parking lot on campus.

■ Campus Safety issued a University summons to the vice president of student affairs to an individual for damaging University property, inappropriate and disruptive behavior and falsely identifying self to University officials.

October 28

■ Campus Safety responded to a campus building in reference to an elevator being stuck.

■ A University employee reported a theft from a campus building. An investigation was initiated.

October 29

■ Campus Safety investigated a fire alarm in a building on campus. No smoke or fire was detected.

October 30

■ A University employee reported that some University property was missing from a campus building.

■ A student reported property damage and a theft from their vehicle.

■ A student was summoned to the vice president of student affairs for inappropriate behavior.

October 31

■ Campus Safety investigated a fire alarm in a building on campus. No fire was present.

■ Campus Safety was dispatched to the Conference Center in reference to disruptive behavior. An investigation was initiated.

■ Campus Safety was issued a student summons to the vice president of student affairs and a state summons for possession of drug paraphernalia.

Obituaries

Marion Alvin Stockton

Marion Stockton, 77, Stanberry, died Oct. 22 at Pineview Manor in Stanberry.

She was born June 6, 1920, to Ray and Elsie Stockton in Stanberry. Survivors include four daughters, Anita Bridges, Margaret Grace, Nancy Stoll and Mary Poe; four sons, Richard, Dale, Donald and Galen; one brother; one sister; 30 grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren. Services were Oct. 25 at the First Christian Church in Stanberry.

Gertrude M. Moffat

Gertrude Moffat, 85, Maryville, died Oct. 29 at Heartland Regional Medical Center East in St. Joseph.

She was born Feb. 23, 1912, to Aloysius and Mary Ann Schieber in Conception.

Survivors include three sons; three daughters; 13 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. Services were Nov. 1 at St. Gregory's Catholic Church.

John Clayton Donaldson

John Donaldson, 87, Maryville died Nov. 1 at the Maryville Health Center in Maryville.

He was born Jan. 1, 1910, to Levi and Goldie Donaldson in Graham.

Survivors include his wife Ruth; three daughters; nine grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

Services were Nov. 4 at the Price Funeral Home Chapel in Maryville.

Frank O'Connell

Frank O'Connell, 93, Kansas City, Mo., died Nov. 4 at the Summit Nursing Home in Kansas City.

He was born March 16, 1904, to Cornelious and Ann O'Connell in Maryville.

Survivors include one brother; one sister; and cousins in Maryville.

Services are Nov. 7 at St. Gregory's Catholic Church in Maryville.

Correction

In the Oct. 30 issue of the Northwest Missourian Michael Vinson's name was incorrectly spelled in the story Maryville's Most Haunted. The Missourian regrets the error.

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Hooked on books: Author's stories on teen-agers find an eager audience in northwest Missouri

STORY BY COLLEEN COOKE

Although he doesn't like the term "young adult literature," young adult author Chris Crutcher is helping get students in northwest Missouri hooked on books — his books, specifically.

Crutcher has gained popularity in this area over the past two or three years thanks in part to an appearance at the first Young Adult Literature Festival at Northwest in 1995. English professor Virgil Albertini organizes the festival and said he called many high school and middle school teachers to let them know that the author would be coming to Northwest for the first year.

Since that first conference, which about 350 people attended, teachers have introduced their students to Crutcher's works. Attendance at the third Young Adult Literature festival, which took place Oct. 28, was more than 500. And this time, Albertini didn't have to call anybody.

During his sessions, the author talked about some of the stories behind his books, and also showed how some of his own life makes it into his works.

When Crutcher talks about his books, he often uses the phrase "so-called young adult literature" because he has experienced the difficulties that can come with having a label like that placed on him.

"I don't like the term because it's incorrect," he said. "Young adult literature is for 12 and up, yet they're not young adults. And if you get it into young adult literature, then it's excluded from adult literature, so you're kind of operating at a disadvantage in terms of just getting your material out to all the people you want to have read it."

Despite the restrictions that may come for him, Crutcher's works seem to have spoken to the people for whom they are intended — teen-agers. Albertini said Crutcher's popularity is due to the author's style of writing and choice of subject material.

"He addresses issues they're concerned about, and he writes with a style that they can understand," Albertini said. "He's a storyteller — he knows what to do with those words."

Though ostensibly books for high school students, English major Lisa Hartman has introduced the students she tutors in the Writing Center on campus to Crutcher's works. Before Crutcher's appearance at Northwest, Hartman read "Telephone Man," a short story that appears in "Athletic Shorts," to her students. She said the students responded

enthusiastically to the story. "One student has bought three of his books," she said. "He has a brand-new outlook on reading. He hasn't read anything since fifth grade, but now he's getting into it."

Jenny Lamb, the eighth grade reading teacher at Washington Middle School, took 144 students to see Crutcher at the conference.

"Even when they haven't read his books, they loved listening to him," Lamb said. "I think that takes a talent. He fascinated most of them."

Although the subject matter of his books makes them more suited for high school students, Lamb said her advanced readers really enjoy a book like "Running Loose."

"I just don't have many kids who are into the Baby Sitters' Club or R.L. Stine," she said.

Thanks to the work of English teachers and librarians, Crutcher said his and others' works are being noticed by the right people — the students.

"One of the things that's starting to change now because of classes like Dr. Albertini's is they're (teachers, readers) starting to realize that there's a lot of good stuff being written about people between the ages of 12 and 20."

Balancing act

Crutcher's books are filled with things most high school students will recognize — lots of sports, dating anxiety, peer pressure and embarrassment — and also things that are harder to face, including suicide, abusive parents, divorce and abortion.

He said many of his stories — including the tough stories about teenagers — come from real life, particularly his contact with troubled teens at the Spokane Mental Health Center, where he has counseled families for more than 15 years. Some of the stories of abuse and trouble at home he heard from kids at the center were the basis for his characters' stories, including "Staying Fat for Sarah Byrnes" and "The Deep End."

However, Crutcher said he is careful to always balance out the stories of abuse and pain with a good dose of his own sense of humor.

"For the last 15 years, I've heard two

of those stories a week, and you just can't do that without a sense of humor," Crutcher said. "It's the sense of humor that keeps you going."

While working at the mental health center, Crutcher started his writing career at age 35. His first book was "Running Loose," which was listed as one of the best young adult books of the 1980s. It was also listed in the top 10 most challenged books in 1995.

Because of the difficult nature of his subject matter, Crutcher has found many of his books at the center of censorship disputes in schools.

"Up front, you get challenged about language, but really you get banned because of the ideas," he said. "You're writing about things that make people uncomfortable."

He said problems come because in order for his books to get into the hands of students, they must first pass through school administrators. This is often where censorship problems arise.

"The problem with so-called young adult literature is that you're writing about 16 to 18-year-olds and the schools

say you have to read this and this, the people you write about won't be reading it," he said. "They have to go through adult readers first."

Creating craftsmanship

While getting his books into students' hands can sometimes be difficult, Crutcher had the good fortune to get his material into the right publishers' hands.

While he was in college, he became friends with Terry Davis, who wrote "Vision Quest" in 1979, which was later made into a movie with Matthew Modine and Madonna. Because of his contact with Davis, Crutcher was able to get "Running Loose" to the people who publish Davis' works.

More than just a publishing contact, though, Crutcher said being around Davis showed him the process of writing and rewriting, and it convinced him that authors weren't some space aliens.

"I thought all authors were either like that or dead," Crutcher said. "But this was a guy I could beat in one-on-one basketball."

As Davis was writing "Vision

Quest," about a high school wrestler once a week he would read Crutcher a chapter, to see if it was believable.

"He'd bring it back and it would be smoother and better," Crutcher said. "As it got to be chapter five and six and seven, I got to see the story take shape."

With that glimpse into the craftsmanship of writing, Crutcher started writing his own stories, full of sports, friendships and tough issues. Athletics tends to be the center of most of his books; his collection of short stories is even titled "Athletic Shorts."

"When I sit down to start writing stories about people who are 16 or 17 years old, the athletic part just kind of falls into that," Crutcher said. "I don't want to sit down and just write jock stories. The vision I have to have to tell a story like that is the 17-year-old vision."

It is that vision in his books that has students around the area snapping up his works in book stores and libraries.

"There's a level of honesty and intensity in the subject matter," Hartman said. "It's truly honest, and it's not just

Something about the author

Name: Chris Crutcher
Birthday: July 17, 1946
Hometown: Cascade, Idaho

Education: Received a bachelor's degree in psychology and sociology and a teaching certificate from Eastern Washington State College.

First job: Worked at his dad's service station when he was 9

Favorite sport: Basketball

Favorite TV show: "Frasier"

Published books: "Running Loose," 1983; "Stotan!" 1986; "The Crazy Horse Electric Game," 1987; "Chinese Handcuffs," 1989; "Athletic Shorts," 1991; "The Deep End," 1992; "Staying Fat for Sarah Byrnes," 1993; "Ironman," 1995

Time it takes to finish writing a book: About a year

Book he's reading right now: "Underworld," by Don Dilello

Awards: Honored in 1994 for "significant contribution to young adult literature" by the Assembly on Literature for Young Adolescents of the National Council of Teachers of English; four books have been named an ALA Best Book for Young Adults; "Running Loose," "Chinese Handcuffs" and "Stotan!" were listed among the best young adult novels of the 1980s.

Stories made into movies: "Angus," based on "A Brief Moment in the Life of Angus Bethune," which appears in "Athletic Shorts." Crutcher is currently working on the screenplay version of "Staying Fat for Sarah Byrnes."



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During his afternoon session at the Young Adult Literature Festival Oct. 28, author Chris Crutcher speaks with students and teachers from area schools. Crutcher shared some stories that influenced his books, and he also read a chapter from his next book.

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Bearcats, Bulldogs battle for Hickory Stick

Sports evoke mixed reactions from columnist

by Collin McDonough
Managing Editor

Very rarely would Northwest put the Hickory Stick on the back burner, but with Saturday's game looming near that is exactly where the Stick stands — in the back-ground.

The 'Cats will tangle with Truman State University Saturday at 1 p.m. in Rickenbrode Stadium with the Hickory Stick on the line. It is the longest Division II trophy series but the Bearcats are thinking less about the Stick and more about a conference title and playoff berth.

Northwest comes into the game with a record of 9-0 and is rated No. 4 in the latest NCAA Division II national rankings. Truman has a 6-2 overall record and a 6-1 mark in the MIAA.

Defensive coordinator Scott Bostwick said the fans need to show their support in the 'Cats' regular season finale.

"We need everybody's help this week," Bostwick said. "We need to challenge every student to be there — wearing green and making noise."

Mel Tjeerdsma, head football coach, said the team has to get support from the students.

"We've got so much we're playing for this week," Tjeerdsma said. "We've given a lot of people joy and entertainment and we need them. We've been spoiled in the past but we've got a good product and it's something we should be proud of."

The 'Cats will be playing for at least a tie for the MIAA champion-

ship in the game and would lock up a playoff bid with a victory.

"To show you how much this game means, when we beat Pittsburg (State University) we accomplished only one goal — beating Pitt," Tjeerdsma said. "If we win this week, we will have accomplished seven more goals. That just shows how important this game is."

Brian Sutton, junior defensive back, said the 'Cats would cherish another MIAA title but would not be satisfied unless they won the championship without a tie.

"We had a tie last year," Sutton said. "We want it outright this year."

Truman could present a difficult task for the 'Cats, Tjeerdsma said.

"They're a good, well-balanced, well-coached football team," he said. "They run and pass extremely well. They like to bootleg pass off the run and that's tough to defend. Defensively, they are a real solid team. You can get yards but you don't get many points."

Wade Hanson, senior wide receiver, said both teams will be ready to battle come Saturday.

"It's a big game because we're cross-state rivals," Hanson said. "They lost on Saturday, but they'll still be fired up for us."

Scott Courter, sophomore wide receiver, said the Hickory Stick looks good in Maryville and does not want to give it back.

"Last year we were able to go over there and take it back," Courter said. "I'm sure they'll be looking for revenge, but we want to keep it for a while."

Daniel Keys, junior defensive



Sophomore A-back Charlie Pugh runs up the middle toward the endzone during the Bearcat's 41-9 win over the Central Missouri University Saturday. This week the Bearcats will battle rival Truman State University.

John Petrovic/Contributing Photographer

back, said the Bulldogs create a test the 'Cats want to face.

"I'm really looking forward to the challenge because they are a very balanced team," Keys said. "Teams like that give us a chance to see how good we are."

Northwest 41, CMSU 9

A slow start turned into a methodical trouncing of the Central Missouri State University Mules Saturday in Rickenbrode Stadium, 41-9.

The Bearcats dominated the line of scrimmage and pounded the Mules into submission. Northwest tallied 253 rushing yards compared to only 100 for CMSU.

Hanson had a huge day for the Bearcats catching five passes for 84 yards and two touchdowns.

"The coaches had been kind of holding me back so that teams would not key on me," Hanson said. "I just got open and (quarterback Chris) Greisen found me."

Sutton said the Mules gave up mentally and really could not get back in the game.

"They're a good team, but their morale was down," he said. "So we just tried to go out and do our job."

Northwest's defensive effort was also a big factor against the Mules.

"Defensively, I was really pleased with the way we came out and played

really hard and got after it," Tjeerdsma said. "We were very physical, especially with our linebackers and secondary. We really came up and made the plays."

However, the game was not all positives for the 'Cats, because they lost junior A-back Derek Lane to a shoulder separation in the first quarter. He will be out two to three weeks.

Taking his place will be sophomore Charlie Pugh and redshirt freshman Dave Jansen. Jansen gained 70 yards on seven carries Saturday.

"Dave had some explosive runs," Tjeerdsma said. "He's an explosive player, and he always gets positive yards."



Wendy Broker

This was quite a week in Bearcat sports.

The football team's future remains solid after they took down the Central Missouri State University Mules, 41-9, last

week. The 'Cats remain the only MIAA team without a blemish on their record.

Up next for the team is longtime rival Truman State University. The battle for the Hickory Stick is in the 'Ville this year, where Northwest will try to repeat last year's 52-22 smashing of the Bulldogs.

The Bulldogs come into the game off a 28-18 loss to Pitt State. My guess is they will be rarin' to redeem themselves and what better way than to knock off the 9-0 Bearcats. My prediction is this will be a close game: Northwest 31, Truman 24.

The volleyball team went 3-1 at the Drury College Volleyball Classic, a nice tournament finish for the second week in a row. Go Bearcats. Maybe it's just time in the season where all the new players have finally clicked or maybe the seniors just want to go out in style. Whatever the reason, it certainly speaks well of the team.

The men's and women's cross country teams had the weekend off following the MIAA championships where the women three-peaked as champs and the men moved up from last year's fourth-place finish to take second. This weekend, the teams will head to Wisconsin for the regional meet, to take aim at a spot in the NCAA national meet. The women must place in the top four to return to nationals where they finished 10th last year. The men will shoot to be in the top five to make their first appearance at the national meet in over 10 years. Good luck runners.

In other action: Did anyone catch that Notre Dame/Navy game Saturday? Talk about a heartstopper. The Fighting Irish barely pulled it out following a Hail Mary pass by Navy as time expired. But the luck of the Irish prevailed and the player from the Navy was stopped two yards short of the winning touchdown.

On a more depressing note, the world renowned Chicago Bulls lost their opening game to the Boston Celtics Friday night, but bounced back to win over the 76ers Saturday. With Dennis Rodman just signing his contract last week, and not quite in tip-top shape, and Scottie Pippen out for the next two months, the Bulls have some adjusting to do if they want to be contenders this year.

And the worst for me, and don't hate me Chiefs fans, the Cowboys lost to the 49ers 17-10, after a controversial last-minute play in which Micheal Irvin, grabbing for the tying touchdown pass, was caught up with 49er Rod Woodson. The play was first ruled pass interference, but then the referees pulled the game out of the Cowboys' grasp by ruling that the men's feet simply got tangled. And to make the loss even more painful, just two plays later, Troy Aikman was intercepted to end the game.

Well, that's all the sports news for this week's edition. Tune in next week for more sports action.

Wendy Broker is the University sports editor for the Northwest Missourian.

Cross country squads will compete at regional meet

by Wendy Broker
University Sports Editor

The final step before nationals will be taken this weekend as the cross country teams travel to Kenosha, Wis., for the Great Lakes regional meet.

The men, ranked fifth in last week's regional coaches' poll and 18th in the national poll, will attempt to finish in the top five, which will enable them to travel back to Kenosha in two weeks for the NCAA Division II national meet.

If the men win the opportunity to appear at the national meet, it will mark the first time in over 10 years the team has done so.

Juniors Robby Lane, Don Ferree,

Brian Cornelius and Corey Parks, along with sophomores Matt Johnson and Bryan Thornburg and freshman Mike Ostreko will be running for the 'Cats.

Rich Alsop, men's head coach, said this is the meet that will determine the rest of the men's season.

"This an exciting time of year," Alsop said. "This is a washroom meet. If you run good, you don't take the uniforms to the washroom to stay, you don't run well and you put them away. It's basically D-day. This is it."

Potential is not a problem for the men, it is performance at this particular meet that will make the difference.

"The men need to have some courage to race as well as they train," Alsop said. "It will be important if

we're going to move on, to have two or three of the men really step it up and live up to their potential. We have come along way, we just need to continue."

The road to the national championship will not be easy for the men.

"No one will just give us that fifth-place finish (needed to make nationals)," Alsop said. "We will have to work awfully hard to get there. We have no fear of anybody, though. Everyone will start and finish at the same place."

Women seek to return to nationals

The women's cross country team is vying for a repeat appearance at the NCAA national meet with a fourth-place or higher finish at the Great

Lakes regional meet this weekend.

Taking the starting line for the Bearcats will be seniors Kathy Kearns, Carrie Sindelar and Dana Luke, along with juniors Lindsey Borgstadt and Jen Miller and freshman Meghan Carlson. The women's seventh runner will either be sophomore Becca Glassel or freshman Sarah Handrup, pending coach Bud Williams' decision.

Williams said the team will advance to the national meet if their performance at regionals is consistent with past years.

"It is only reasonable and realistic that if we run our own races and perform at the level of our ability, we will qualify for the national meet," Williams said. "It will be dif-

ficult for us to beat Lewis (University), a perennial power. We will try to challenge them and just hope for the best."

The Bearcats, currently ranked second in the region and eighth in the nation, are expected to finish second in the meet to Lewis, but Williams acknowledges nothing is set in stone.

"Ratings don't mean anything until the race is run. Each day when you race, you have to prove you are as good as the polls say," Williams said. "No one will just lie down and play dead just because Northwest arrives on the scene. We must remain injury free and healthy. Each of the women must run well, because there are teams out there just waiting to knock us off."

Griffons smash Bearcat spikers

by Wendy Broker
University Sports Editor

The Griffons sent the Bearcats back to Maryville with a 3-0 loss.

Missouri Western State College, No. 1 in the conference, came out strong, beating the 'Cats in three straight, 6-15, 8-15, 15-17.

Jennifer Waldron, junior outside hitter, picked up 12 kills and 17 digs, while Diann Davis, senior middle hitter, notched four blocks. Freshman setter Abby Willms added 42 assists.

The team finished last weekend's Drury College Tournament with a 3-1 record losing only to the University of Alabama-Huntsville.

In the 'Cats last game of the tournament, they faced Drury College, and came out on top after three games, 15-3, 15-7, 15-4.

Abby Sunderman, freshman middle hitter, led the team with 15 kills, while Jill Quast, freshman outside hitter, added 17 digs and Willms

tacked on 33 assists and 15 digs.

To start off the day Saturday, the women played Central Arkansas taking the match in three games, 15-3, 15-7, 15-13.

Quast and Sunderman each racked up 11 kills, as junior Jennifer Waldron added 11 assists.

Friday night, the women of Lyon College tried to knock the Bearcats off but came up short. The 'Cats won the first two, 15-2, 15-7, lost the third 14-16, and came back to win the match with a 15-4 score in game four.

Davis helped facilitate the win with 12 kills and nine blocks. Quast tallied 12 kills and 13 digs as well.

In the Bearcats opening game of the tournament, they fell to Huntsville in a four game match, 11-15, 15-10, 15-5, 17-15.

The weekend showed improvement in the women's defense.

"This weekend we saw a lot of team improvement, and blocking, probably the hardest skill, was our No. 1 improvement," head coach

Sarah Pelster said. "Since we changed our defense, we have been picking up more of the junk in the middle that maybe hurt us in the past."

Along with building a successful record this weekend, the Bearcat women broke some school records.

Davis put her name on two records after the weekend, breaking her old record in block assists with 151, and also taking the record for total blocks with 223. Davis is ranked No. 2 in the nation in blocks.

Willms broke Jennifer Pitttrich's 1995 record for assists in a season with 1,494. She is now No. 5 in career assists at Northwest and stands at No. 9 in the nation in assists (as of Oct. 26). Quast created a new mark of 571 for most digs in a season, breaking Stacy Hoelscher's 1989 record, and is now No. 14 in the nation in digs.

"This shows that we have a great class of volleyball players here," Pelster said. "We have made great strides with the young, inexperienced team we started this season out with."

Athletic Shorts

Runners honored for academics

The MIAA announced the 1997-98 Commissioner's Academic Honor Roll for cross country Monday.

Juniors Brian Cornelius, Don Ferree and Robby Lane, along with sophomores Matt Brownsburger, Josh Heihn, Matt Johnson and Eric Rector all received the honor.

Five Northwest women also received the honor. Seniors Kathy Kearns, Dana Luke and Carrie Sindelar, as well as junior Lindsey Borgstadt and sophomore Stacey Otte were named to the Commissioner's list.

In order to be named to the honor roll, athletes must have a cumulative grade-point average of 3.0 or better, must have attended their present MIAA school at least two semesters, not including summers, and must be a sophomore, junior or senior in athletic eligibility.

Weather causes postponement

Inclement weather has caused the flag football championships to be pushed back until next week.

In the sorority division, Alpha No. 1 defeated Sigma Kappa Maroon to reach the championship. Alpha No. 1 will play Sigma Kappa Sphinxer Kickers, who defeated Sigma Black. The game is scheduled for 4 p.m. Monday in Rickenbrode Stadium.

In the men's division, Team US pulled out a victory over the Counting Crows to reach the championship. They will face Team Pritchett who defeated Jugband. The championship game will be played at 4:45 p.m. Monday in Rickenbrode.

In the fraternity division, Sigma Phi Epsilon Ep Yours, who squeaked out a victory over Phi Sigma Kappa Chodes, will play the Delta Chi Rebels, who beat the Sig Ep Purple Helmets. The matchup will be at 4:45 p.m. Tuesday in Rickenbrode.

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'Hounds win, improve to 9-0

by **Scott Summers**
Community Sports Editor

Senior night provided a spark for a few members of the Maryville football team, but the 'Hounds hardly needed the extra motivation, crushing Lincoln Academy 53-0.

Defense was Maryville's money-maker last Friday night as it has been all season.

The Spoofhounds intercepted six passes and held Lincoln Academy to minus four yards rushing.

Senior quarterback John Otte said the 'Hounds are always going to be a challenge for opposing offenses.

"Our defense played great (against Lincoln Academy)," Otte said. "There are not too many teams out there that can score on our defense."

The Spoofhounds struggled to get their offense going early on, but once they did, they blew the Tigers away.

"We were a little rusty at the start," Otte said. "We didn't do all that well, but we played well enough to win."

Grant Sutton, senior running back, put Maryville on the scoreboard with a 21-yard touchdown carry late in the first quarter.

The 'Hounds began the second quarter just as they had ended the first — with a touchdown. This time, Andy Mackey, senior running back, plunged into the end zone from three yards out. Following a missed extra point, Maryville led 13-0.

Minutes later, Otte found his cousin, Adam Otte, junior running back, who streaked 35 yards for a touchdown. Sutton scored his next touchdown just before halftime when he intercepted a pass and returned it 34 yards for the score. The 'Hounds took a 25-0 lead into the locker room at the break after missing a 2-point conversion attempt.

Adam Weldon, senior running back, started things quickly for Maryville in the second half, scoring on a 7-yard touchdown carry early in the third quarter. John Otte's 2-point conversion run made the score 33-0.

One play is all the 'Hounds needed to pad their lead. Sutton scampered 57 yards for his third touchdown of the game to give the Spoofhounds a 39-point advantage over the Tigers.

Maryville's final two touchdowns came on runs by Jason Cracraft,

“There are not too many teams out there that can score on our defense.”

■ **John Otte**, senior quarterback
Maryville High School



Senior linebacker Grant Sutton and junior linebacker John Edmonds converge on the ball during last Friday's game.

Sutton tipped the pass before finally intercepting it and returning it 34 yards for a touchdown during the win.

Jennifer Meyer/Photography Director

sophomore running back. Cracraft scored on carries of eight and two yards, giving the Spoofhounds a 53-0 victory over the Tigers.

Keith Wurm, senior defensive back, led Maryville's defense, notching three interceptions.

Maryville improved its record to 9-0 on the year, and the Spoofhounds remain the No. 1-ranked team in Missouri 3A football.

Head coach Chuck Lliteras knows it will not get any easier for the Spoofhounds.

"I'm particularly concerned that we peak at the right time," Lliteras said. "This time of the season it's a lot more mental (than physical)."

The 'Hounds will face perhaps their biggest test of the season Friday when they battle undefeated Platte County.

Lliteras said he thinks the playoff system in Missouri has improved, but still needs some tinkering.

"It's a shame that the No. 1- and No. 4-ranked teams have to meet in districts because one is going to go home," Lliteras said. "The winner's going to go on, and the loser's going to do their laundry."

The game will be at 7 p.m. Friday at Platte County.

Cornhuskers deserve spot atop rankings



■ **Scott Summers**

Welcome to the show. Armchair quarterbacks take note: This will be the biggest weekend of college football so far this season.

Two of the nation's undefeated teams are sure to fall. Either Florida State or North Carolina and Penn State or Michigan will fall from the ranks of the unbeaten when they battle each other in head-to-head competition.

Nebraska remains the top-ranked team in all the land after romping the Oklahoma Sooners 69-7 in a contest (by definition only) between two of college football's biggest rivals.

Second-ranked Florida State is the only team with a remote chance of knocking off the Huskers.

Look for the national championship to be on the line when Nebraska and Florida State meet Jan. 2 in Miami at the Orange Bowl.

Sad as it sounds, the 'Noles could beat the Huskers if they can control Nebraska's potent running attack. Don't bet on it.

The most overrated team in the polls is Penn State. For the first few weeks of the season, the Nittany Lions looked as if they might give coach Joe Paterno another title.

After two near losses — the first, a 16-15 squeaker to unranked Minnesota, and this week's 30-27 win over Northwestern, Penn State is lucky to hold onto a No. 3 ranking.

Michigan is playing solid football — nothing spectacular, but the Wolverines are getting the job done.

There are only two or three teams in the country that could beat Michigan on its home field. The Wolverines' home stadium seats 102,500 screaming Michigan fans. Now, that is home field advantage.

Did anyone else realize North Carolina had a football team before this year? It's true. I looked it up.

The Tar Heels' success this season will undoubtedly come to an end when they meet Florida State this weekend, but it was a good ride.

Here is what next week's top 10 should look like:

1. Nebraska
2. Florida State
3. Michigan
4. Washington
5. Penn State
6. North Carolina
7. Kansas State
8. Ohio State
9. Tennessee
10. Georgia

A few notable teams are missing from the list — primarily Florida and Colorado.

Although the Gators may still haunt some opponents, their offense is less powerful than last year's championship squad.

The reason for Colorado's sudden demise is a mystery. Sure, Missouri has a better football team than in past years, but a team as talented as Colorado should never fall to the Tigers.

I guess that proves anything can happen in the strange world of college football.

Scott Summers is the community sports editor for the Northwest Missourian.

Volleyball squad's season ends following disappointing match

by **Mark Milosovich**
Missourian Staff

The Maryville girls' volleyball team found an obstacle on the way to its first district championship Thursday.

Platte County put a sudden end to the team's season with a 15-2, 15-8, victory over the 'Hounds.

"The team was very disappointed and upset," head coach Gregg Winslow said. "They know they didn't play to their ability and could have won the match."

This match meant a lot to the Maryville players.

"We were very disappointed because we wanted to go on," senior Abby Lade said. "It was sad because

being a senior, it was my last game."

After defeating Platte County earlier in the season, the team was never really into this match.

"We were too nervous and didn't have our heads in the game," senior Keri Lohafer said. "We played bad, and they were really pumped up and played great."

After an impressive 20-4 season, losing at districts did not make the season a failure.

"The players were too tight being in a situation that they have never been in before," Winslow said. "After the match, they were depressed, but I told them by no means should this loss take away from anything this year."

The team won two tournaments

this season and captured a share of the conference title, both of which were school firsts.

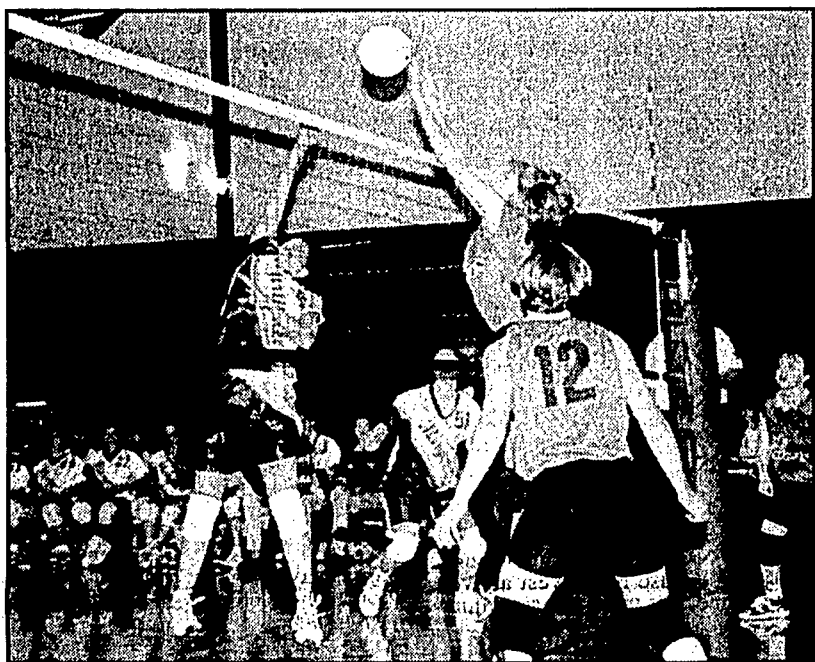
"This season we did really well and accomplished a lot of our goals for the season," Lohafer said.

This year's squad loses five seniors who brought talent and leadership to the squad. Of the five, three earned all-district honors.

Winslow said next year's team has the capability of being successful.

"We will miss the seniors, but the cupboard is not bare," Winslow said. He is referring to five juniors who saw playing time and the junior varsity team, which had a 19-1 record.

The team hopes it has the valuable experience to lead it into battle next season.



File photo

Senior Keri Lohafer spikes the ball as an opposing player goes up for a block. The volleyball team finished its season with a 20-4 record.

Cross country team sends lone runner to state meet

■ **Senior harrier** qualifies to run at final competition in Jefferson City Saturday

by **Mark Hornickel**
Chief Reporter

The harriers' season came to a close, and one runner accomplished her goal of getting to the state meet last Saturday.

Senior Courtney Conley achieved two goals at the district meet — to medal at every meet this season and qualify for state.

Conley said her coaches helped get her motivated to do as well as she could.

"Heidi (Metz, assistant coach) said before the race, 'Who wants it?,' and I was like, 'I want it,'" Conley said.

Head coach Ron Eckerson was excited with Conley's performance.

"I'm very happy for Courtney," Eckerson said. "The state meet is a good experience. It's always tough at state. Just to make it there is wonderful. If she can get the same time (as this week), she'll do very well."

Conley will run at 11:40 a.m. Saturday in Jefferson City.

Freshman Jennifer Heller was the next 'Hound finisher after Conley. She finished the race with a time of 23:51.

Junior Laura Loch came next with a time 25:50 and sophomore Amy Eckerson ended with a time of 28:11. Sophomore Kerry Wilmes finished the race in a time of 31:24.

The girls' team finished in seventh place, scoring 137 points at the district race.

In the varsity boys' race, senior Brian Jewell failed to return to the state competition finishing at a time of 18:38.

"It was a pretty fast moving race," Jewell said. "I was hoping for a time in the lower 18s. A little bit of my mental (mind) got into it."

Junior Jason Felton, who was trying to reach the state meet for the first

time, missed a chance with a time of 19:20.

"I wanted to run the best I could," Felton said. "I started out fast and I just didn't have enough at the end."

Eckerson said Jewell and Felton could have helped themselves at the beginning of the race by getting a better start.

"Brian (Jewell) probably could've qualified, but Jason (Felton) just didn't have the gas power," Eckerson said.

Junior Dustin Coulter was the next runner with a time of 20:03. Junior Nate Harris earned a time of 22:28, while freshman Adam Messner took a time of 23:44.

Freshman Travis Turner turned in a time of 25:23 and freshman Connor Goodson grabbed a time of 25:45.

The boys earned a total of 230 points, giving them an eighth-place finish.

Eckerson said the rest of the runners did not earn the good times they were hoping for.

"Jennifer (Heller) was hoping to qualify, but she needed to be about a minute faster," Eckerson said.

Eckerson was still pleased with the team's overall performance this year.

"We had a lot of good runners and hopefully they will all be back next year," Eckerson said.

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Football

Northwest

Saturday, Nov. 1
Central Missouri State at Northwest
CMSU 3 3 0 3 — 9
NWMSU 7 17 7 10 — 41

First Quarter
CMSU — FG Meyer 45, 9:57
NW — Lane 2 run (Pumell kick), 5:14
Second Quarter
NW — Greisen 5 run (Pumell kick), 14:56
CMSU — FG Meyer 22, 7:30
NW — Hanson 20 pass from Greisen (Pumell kick), 2:19
NW — FG Pumell 46, 0:00
Third Quarter
NW — Hanson 2 pass from Greisen (Pumell kick), 4:30
Fourth Quarter
NW — FG Pumell 37, 11:50
CMSU — FG Meyer 29, 8:21
NW — Evans 27 run (Pumell kick), 7:34

The Bearcats are 9-0 on the season and ranked No. 4 in the nation. Northwest will play 1 p.m. Saturday in Rickenbrode Stadium.

MIAA Standings

Conference	W	L	Overall	W	L	Pts.	PA
NWMSU	7	0	9	0	362	103	
PSU	6	1	7	1	254	113	
TSU	6	1	6	2	269	166	
ESU	4	3	6	3	350	234	
MSSC	4	3	5	3	201	198	
CMSU	3	4	4	5	274	253	
MWSC	2	5	4	5	199	203	
WU	2	5	3	6	182	203	
UMR	1	6	2	7	114	256	
SBU	0	7	0	8	66	325	

NCAA Division II Poll

School (State)	(Record)	Points
1. Carson-Newman (Tenn.)	(8-0)	80
2. New Haven (Conn.)	(8-1)	76
3. Angelo State (Texas)	(8-0)	71
4. Northwest	(9-0)	69
5. Texas A&M-Kingsville	(7-1)	63
6. Albany State (Ga.)	(8-0)	60
7. North Dakota	(7-1)	57
8. Slippery Rock (Pa.)	(8-1)	52

9. West Georgia	(7-1)	48
10. Pittsburg State (Kan.)	(7-1)	44
11. Tie-Shepherd (W. Va.)	(8-0)	38
Western State (Colo.)	(8-2)	38
13. Northern Colorado	(7-2)	31
14. Southern Arkansas	(7-1)	26
15. Grand Valley State (Mich.)	(8-1)	25
16. New Mexico Highlands	(7-2)	20
17. North Alabama	(7-2)	15
18. Truman State	(6-2)	12
19. Ashland (Ohio)	(8-1)	6
20. UC-Davis	(5-4)	5

Midwest Regional Rankings

1. Northwest
2. North Dakota
3. Pittsburg State
4. Northern Colorado
5. Truman State
6. Nebraska-Omaha
7. North Dakota State

8. Emporia State
9. Winona State
10. Missouri Southern

At the end of the regular season schedule, only the top 4 teams will advance to the NCAA Division II playoffs. The higher ranked team will have home-field advantage.

Division II Key Matchups for Nov. 8

Indianapolis at Ashland
UC-Davis at Grand Valley
Slippery Rock at Shippensburg
Shepherd at Glenville State
Northern Colorado at South Dakota State
Truman at Northwest
Texas A&M-Kingsville at Abilene Christian
Angelo State at Texas A&M-Commerce
New Mexico Highlands at Nebraska-Kearney
Carson-Newman at Newberry College
Albany Central at N.C. Central
West Georgia at North Alabama

Southern Arkansas at N.E. Oklahoma State
Valdosta State at Central Arkansas
Clark Atlanta at Morehouse
Fayetteville State at Livingstone

MIAA Schedule

Thursday, Oct. 6
Missouri Western @ Pittsburg State
Saturday, Oct. 8
Emporia State @ Missouri-Rolla
Missouri Southern @ Southwest Baptist
Truman State @ Northwest
Washburn @ Central Missouri

Saturday, Oct. 15
Northwest @ Emporia State
Pittsburg State @ Washburn
Southwest Baptist @ Missouri-Rolla
Central Missouri @ Missouri Western
Truman State @ Missouri Southern

Maryville High School

Friday, Oct. 31
Lincoln Academy at Maryville
Maryville 0 0 0 0 — 0
Lincoln 7 18 21 7 — 53

First Quarter
M — Sutton 21 run (Pederson kick)
Second Quarter
M — Mackey 3 run (kick failed)
M — Adam Otto 35 pass from John Otto (run failed)
M — Sutton 34 interception return (run failed)
Third Quarter
M — Weldon 7 run (John Otto run)
M — Sutton 57 run (kick failed)
M — Cracraft 8 run (Pederson kick)
Fourth Quarter
M — Cracraft 2 run (Pederson kick)

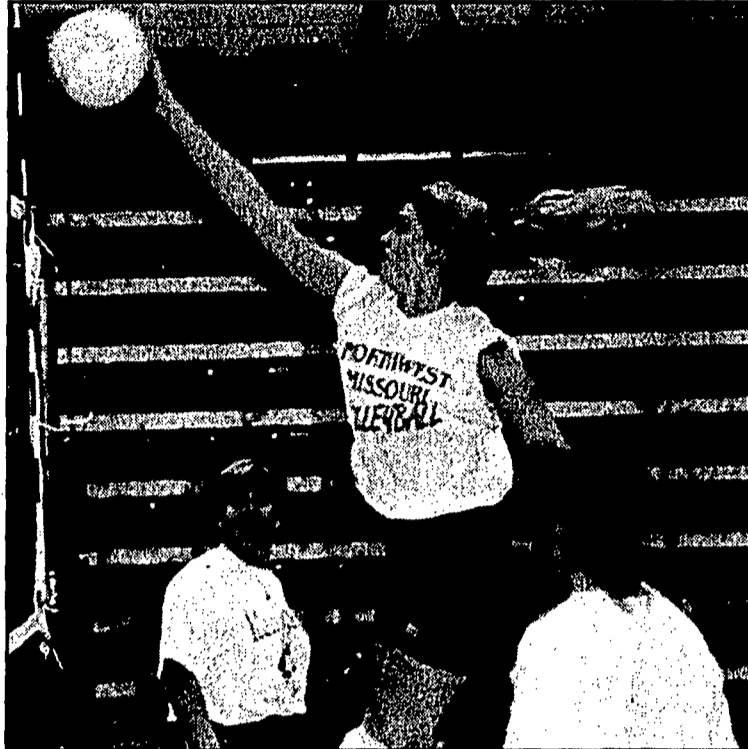
	Hounds	Tigers
First Downs	10	5
Rushing	244	4
Passing Yards	72	73
Total Yards	316	69

The Spoofhounds are 9-0 on the season and ranked No. 1 in the state. Maryville will play at 7 p.m. Friday at Platte County.

Intramural Points

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TKE 245	Tri-Sigma 168
Delta Chi 241	Phi Mu 163
Phi Sig 215	Sigma Kappa 151
AKL 188	Delta Zeta 55
Kappa Sig 25	

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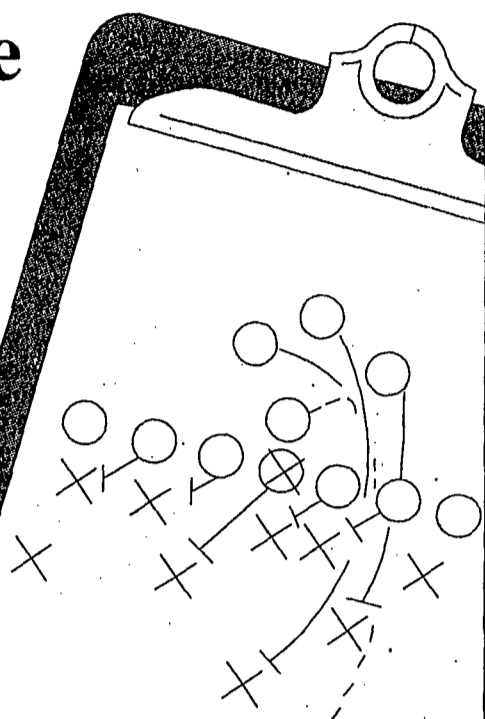
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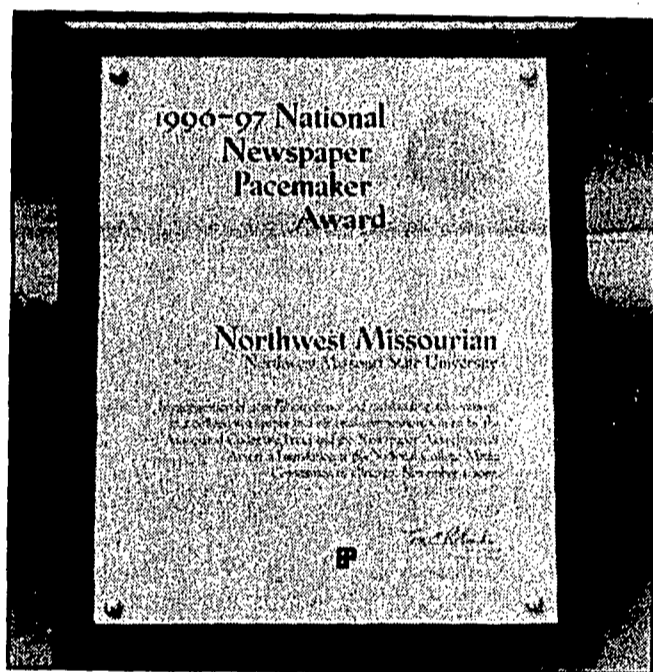
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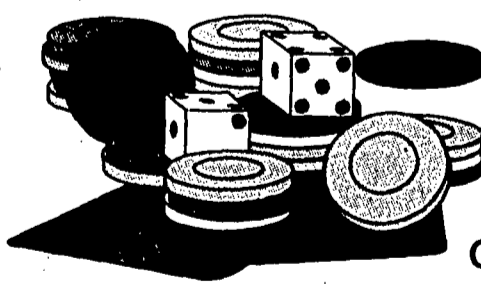
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Speaking out: Sigma Sigma Sigma sponsors 3rd annual silent walk

Story by
Brian Starkey
and Heather Butler

Type the word, MISSING, he said. I kept repeating to myself: 'This can't be true.' She is just late, not MISSING. Yet, even at that very moment, unknown to all of us, Stephanie was going to be missing for the rest of our lives."

These words echoed through the mind of Stephanie Schmidt's father, Gene, two days before her 20th birthday, July 2, 1993.

Stephanie was murdered and raped by a restaurant co-worker who was on an early release program from prison after raping another female. Stephanie had no prior knowledge of his history because laws at the time protected criminals from revealing their pasts.

Awareness may have prevented Stephanie's death. The only mistake she made was to accept a ride from a friend, and co-worker, whose violent past was kept silent — a silence that left Stephanie fatally unaware.

After finding her body 27 days later, Stephanie's family Gene, Peggy, her mother, and Jeni, her sister, refused to allow the silence to remain. The day after Stephanie was buried, the Schmidt's formed a task force.

Since Stephanie's death, her family has passed six major bills in Kansas and testified on the federal level regarding sex-offender registration and sexual predator laws. They continue to work to change laws and attitudes and to restore common sense in the judicial system.

"We cannot continue to hide the criminal's past and assume that his punishment and incarceration have rehabilitated him," Gene said. "Nor can we continue to release known violent offenders back into our society without public notification."

In addition to speaking on awareness and legal issues, the family began The Stephanie Schmidt Foundation and founded a S.O.S. (Speak Out for Stephanie) Chapter at Pittsburg State University.

Less than one year after Stephanie's death, the foundation put into effect the Stephanie Schmidt Sexual Predator Act and made it a law.

Since Stephanie's death, The Stephanie Schmidt Foundation that was started in Pittsburg State is supported at Northwest.

The S.O.S. Chapter at Northwest will sponsor the third annual Silent Walk Nov. 12 around campus to protest violent crime, sexual assault and rape. The walk will begin with guest speakers at 7:45 p.m. Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia members will sing at the event.

The S.O.S. Chapter was founded at Northwest through the local Sigma Sigma Sigma chapter, because of the untimely death of a member, Karen Hawkins.

Hawkins was last seen April 21, 1996. A miss-



ABOVE: Women of Sigma Sigma Sigma participate in the first Silent Walk for the S.O.S. Foundation in 1995. The walk had about 500 participants; 1,000 on Nov. 12

ing persons report was filed after Hawkins had not returned home after driving Dennis Jones, a friend and co-worker, home. Later that evening, Jones revealed to Maryville Public Safety that he had assaulted Hawkins to the point of death and had disposed of her body in the 102 River.

"There was much pain and suffering not only in our Sigma Chapter, but throughout campus as well," said Kerry Wells, Tri Sigma member. "Bringing an S.O.S. Chapter to Northwest was extremely important to keep Karen's memory alive and to give comfort to those that were tormented by such horrendous crimes."

The walk, and everything it symbolizes, gives those involved a gratifying feeling.

"When we were asked last year to sing at the walk, we were extremely honored," said Dave Catherall, Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia member. "We wanted to perform something difficult and special because of what the walk represents."

Everyone is encouraged to participate in the walk regardless of their affiliation.

"Personally, I believe that it is an honor to be involved because of everything that the Schmidt's have accomplished," said Heather Cutler, education director for Tri Sigma. "The walk is free, so I encourage everyone to attend."

The Schmidt's, and everyone who speaks out for Stephanie, continue their quest for vigilance to change laws, attitudes and lives.

are expected. RIGHT: Members of Tri Sigma gather after the second annual silent walk. They found support from their sisterhood while remembering Karen Hawkins.

Laws affected by S.O.S.

Aug. 4, 1993 — The Stephanie Schmidt Task Force was formed. By November, five legislative bills were drafted regarding repeat sex offenders.

April 9, 1994 — Only nine months after her death, The Stephanie Schmidt Sexual Predator Act became a retroactive law to all Kansas sex offenders.

May 5, 1994 — All other bills are signed by Gov. Finney: The Sex-Offender Registration Act allowed for the public release of registered sex offenders names; increased sentencing time for second time offenders; and changed falsification of information by a sex offender from a misdemeanor to a felony.

March 2, 1996 — The Kansas Supreme Court struck down the Sexual Predator Act as unconstitutional because the act used the words "mental abnormality" instead of "mental illness." The decision has been appealed to the U.S. Supreme Court.

April 6, 1996 — The Kansas Supreme Court upheld the constitutionality of the Sex Offender Registration law with public access to the information. Newspapers are encouraged to print the information regarding the released sex offenders who have had to register since April of 1994.

June 23, 1997 — The U.S. Supreme Court upheld the Stephanie Schmidt Sexual Predator Law. Thirty-three states immediately file for similar legislation. Information compiled by The Stephanie Schmidt Foundation.



S.O.S. Pledge

I promise to never be silent whenever human beings endure suffering and humiliation. I will always take sides, because I know that neutrality only helps the oppressor, never the victim.

I will Speak Out because I know that silence only encourages the tormentor, never the tormented. I will interfere when human lives are endangered or when human dignity is in jeopardy.

I will Speak Out. I am only one, but still I am one. I cannot do everything, but still I can do something. And because I cannot do everything, I will not refuse to do the something that I can do.

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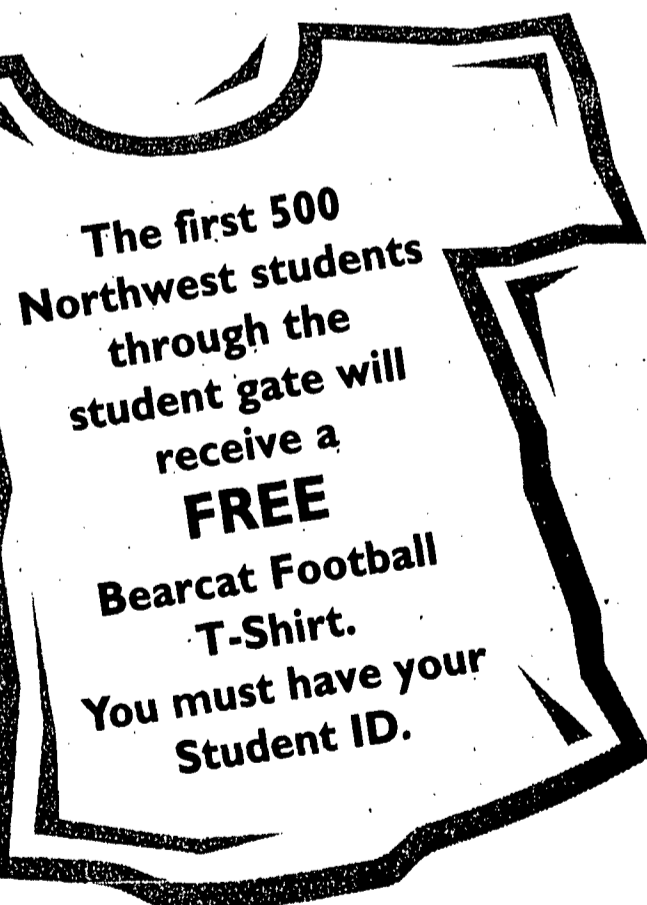
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The Stroller

Columnist's humor isn't funny



The Stroller

Your Man distinguishes between facts, fiction in local editorial

I just wanted to apologize for the quality of last week's article, it was bad. I wrote it, submitted it to the editor and hoped nothing would be cut. But much like 2 Live Crew, I was censored. They feel I should cool things down a little bit. I think the only thing that should cool down is the weather, so I see no reason why I can't stir up a little heat.

Another person stirring up a little bit a heat is Tate Sinclair, a *Maryville Daily Forum* writer. For those of you that didn't even know that Maryville had a daily paper, I'll bring you up to date. For you, Tate, here is your 15 minutes of fame; so grab your scissors and add this one to your scrapbook.

Sinclair's article starts off by saying that only the administration and staff of Northwest recognize the symbiotic (both parties serve each other equally) relationship between Maryville and the University. If you haven't noticed, the administration and staff of Northwest are permanent inhabitants of Maryville, making the relationship self-serving, which is far from symbiotic. In fact, the relationship between the students and Maryville is extremely parasitic. Look at it this way, students are visitors to Maryville. Let's call them vacationers here for eight months out of the year to learn and have fun. We drop all of our hard earned money, our parent's money and the government's money, back into a community that we essentially don't belong to. Despite the abundance of industry in Maryville, if the school would close today, Maryville would die a slow death. Students could survive without Maryville, making the relationship one sided or parasitic. The average student needs roughly \$10,385 to survive, and not lavishly, one year at Northwest. There are approximately 6,200 students attending Northwest. The students alone generate \$64,387,000 to Maryville's commerce. Take that away from the 'Ville and see what would happen. Many businesses do offer valuable services and sometimes kickbacks, but the relationship is not symbiotic.

Sinclair also expressed his disgust for the communications department at Northwest. He said, "The Stroller is an anonymous columnist who can shoot his (or her) mouth off without fear of retribution. Each week, along with ridiculing the Greek system, the Stroller takes cheap shots at Maryville, anytime he can." This job is not free from retribution. I, along with other Stroller suspects, have been threatened not only physically, but verbally and electronically (e-mail). Yes, I have poked fun at Northwest and the Greek system, which I happen to be part of both. But I have never taken "a cheap shot" at Maryville — I've read every article, I should know. The Stroller is not meant to be accurate, it's meant to be amusing. If you want to read something constructive, do the

crossword puzzle to the right.

Sinclair goes to the other side of the communications department and criticizes "Maryville Tonight's" host Chris Stigall. Sinclair said, "Chris Stigall is nothing but a high school ham and loudmouth, that has never grown up." Sinclair, why such a low blow? Even I haven't picked one person out and just ridiculed them.

Sinclair also goes on to stick up for the construction workers on campus. He said, "Those men are out there working every day in tunnels and holes most college students are scared to go around, let alone spend a day digging. What does Chris, the host, do? Why he ridicules them for being stupid and lazy."

Yes, reread that last sentence, there's a typo and it's exactly the way it appeared in the *Forum*. Tate, you should have had someone proofread your articles, especially when you are criticizing someone for being stupid and lazy.

By the way Sinclair, it is not only our right, but our duty to criticize those construction workers because they work for us. They have given us completion dates which have not been met. For students who have a classroom that is near a construction crew, you know that they are not working to their full potential. And Sinclair, the reason we are in college is so we don't have to dig holes and tunnels. He also points out that the workers will do more work while in Maryville than Stigall will ever do.

You know Sinclair, if you look at it in a physics perspective, you're right. Work equals force multiplied by mass. Chris only pushes pens as opposed to those heavy steam pipes. Yes Stigall, I am sticking up for you. The condom joke in front of the Eugene Field student was in poor taste, but you never claimed to have taste.

The part that bothered me the most about Sinclair's little article was his statement, "I'm all for free speech, and if the University wants to give these people this kind of power, that's their choice." Sinclair, you should know that it's not the University that gives us the power, just as it's not Maryville that gives you the power to publish your opinions — it's the Constitution.

Sinclair, you must realize there's a huge difference in what Chris and I do and what you have written. What we do is satirical and meant to be entertaining. You have done nothing but criticize the University, that you once attended, in a harsh way. I tried to be nice in this article, but I hope Chris Stigall does not treat this the same way. I can't wait to see the next "Maryville Tonight." Give 'em hell, Chris.

The Stroller has been a tradition at Northwest since 1918 and does not reflect the views of the *Missourian*.

Weekly Crossword

ACROSS

1. Pianist Peterson
6. Short race
10. Very, in Versailles
14. Fole gras source
15. Double-reed instrument
16. Delicate
17. Home of the Barbary apes (3 words.)
20. Airline

schedule abbr.

21. Fume
22. Manitoba Indians
23. Dichin of music
24. Bankrupt
25. Emulates the waiting
28. Tardy
31. Resin color
32. Broadway's Auntie

33. Bond rating

35. Lode's locale
36. ____ Texas
37. Pivotal point
38. Complete
39. Countenance
40. Metaphysical poet of fame
41. Century components
44. Believes
45. Hockey great Bobby
46. Small store
47. Richard's second-

in-command

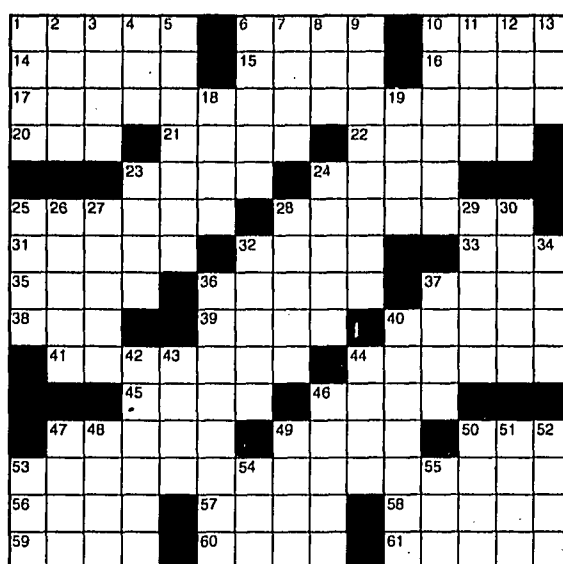
49. Defrost
50. Letter after sigma
53. Traits
56. Type of novel
57. Kin of lettuce and dough
58. Chilling
59. Certain
60. Seethe
61. Dog and bob

DOWN

1. Hobgoblin
2. Coal dust
3. Caesar's sidekick, once
4. "Go Alice"
5. New supply
6. ____ bag (restaurant leftovers)
7. Lover of an Irish Rose
8. ____ sister
9. Symbol of strength
10. Knack
11. Extreme function, e.g.
12. Periods in history
13. Hafez al-Assad's nation (abbr.)

Answers to last issue's puzzle

MOAN	FLO	BIKES
OHIO	REAP	IRATE
WALT	YORE	GALEN
ERE	TIN	DOO
RED	DENS	DREW
RAG	CLARINET	
ANVIL	CHIT	NEAR
BEEF	PLANE	DATA
EMIT	RING	TIPSY
TOLERANT	POE	
DING	HURRIES	
NAB	SKI	ONO
IRANI	NAST	USER
COLON	GLEE	SECT
EWING	FOR	ANTS



18. Short-lived money makers
19. Concert solo
23. Never Give a Sucker A Break
24. Invoice word
25. Surfboard support
26. Correct
27. Stomach
28. Reveals
29. Makes money
30. Intimidate
32. Actress King
34. Chopping tools
36. Yale products
37. Clever accomplishments
40. Nods off
42. Twitters
43. Special air
44. Siamese
46. Kate, e.g.
47. Evade
48. Bloodless
49. At a distance: prefix
50. Exhaust
51. It reddens blue litmus paper
52. Apples
53. Sgt., e.g.
54. Make edging
55. Midwestern hill



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